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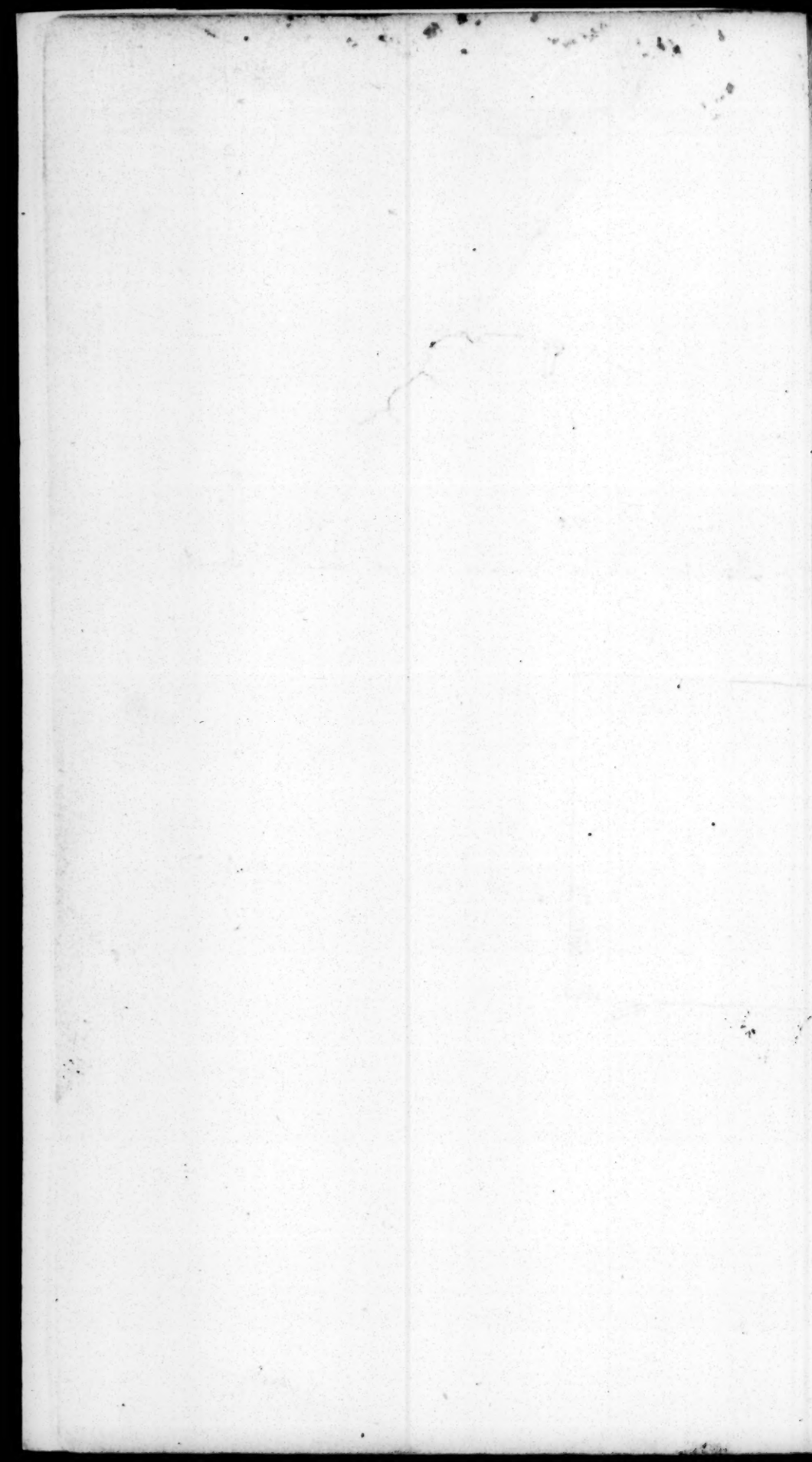
THE

TRIAL

OF

RICHARD HATHAWAY.

(Price One Shilling.)





THE  
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O F  
Richard Hathaway,  
A T  
SURREY ASSIZES,

(Begun and held in the Borough of *SOUTHWARK*,  
*March* the 24th, 1702)

U P O N A N  
I N F O R M A T I O N  
For being a  
C H E A T and I M P O S T O R,

And endeavouring to take away the LIFE of  
S A R A H M O R D U C K,  
On a false Accusation of  
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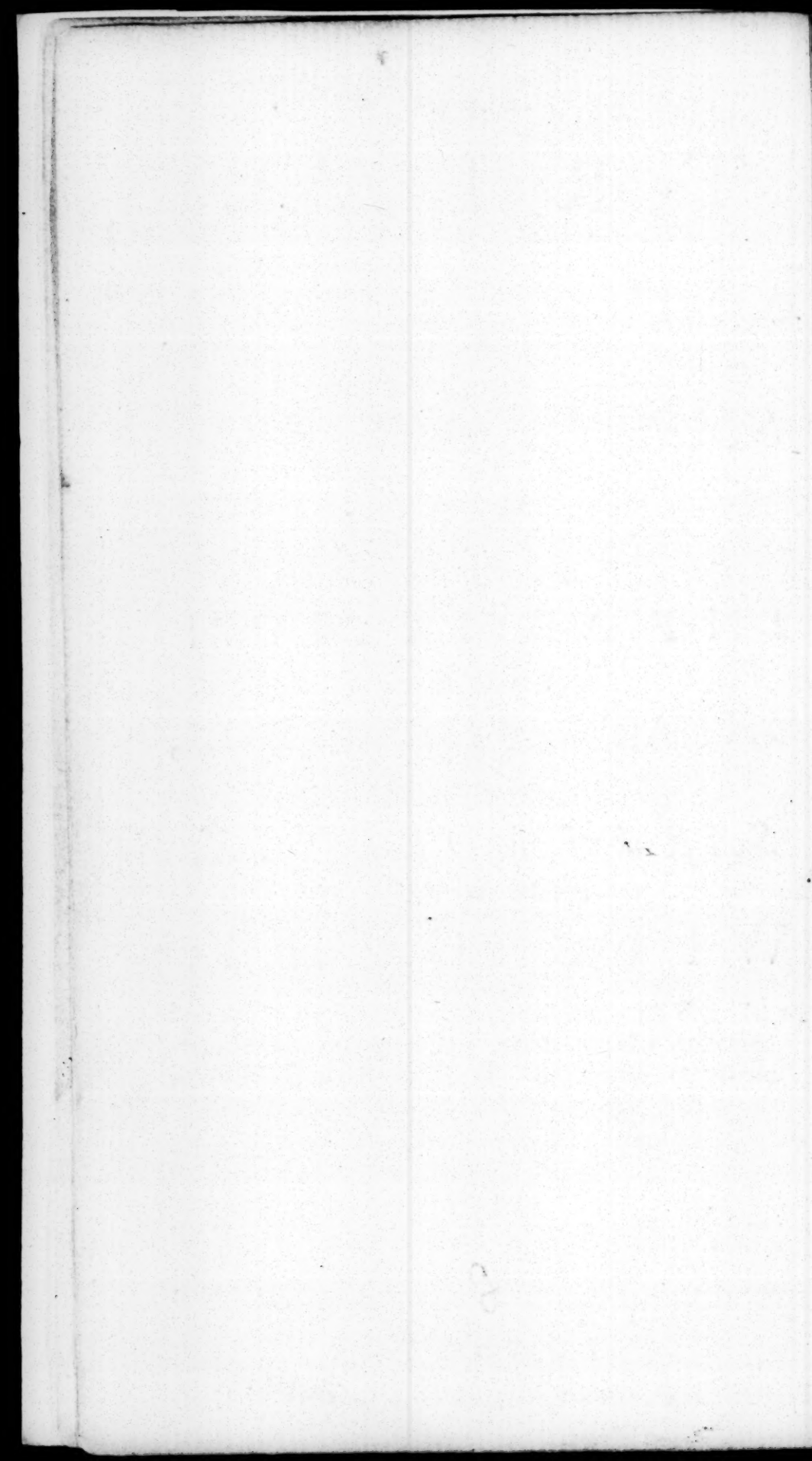
In which is discovered the malicious Designs of the said  
Impostor, with an Account of his pretended Inchant-  
ments and Witchcraft. Before the Right Honourable  
the Lord Chief Justice *Holt* and Mr Baron *Hatfield*.

To which is added, a short Account of the Trial of *Richard Hathaway*, *Thomas Wellyn* and *Elizabeth* his Wife, and *Elizabeth Willoughby*, Wife of *Walter Willoughby*, upon an Information for a Riot and Assault upon *Sarah Morduck*, the pretended Witch, at the said Assizes.

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RICHARD HATHAWAY,

*Wednesday, MARCH 25, 1702.*

PROCLAMATION *was made for all Persons  
concerned to attend.*

THE Prisoner being brought into Court, and acquainted what Liberty he had to challenge those Gentlemen that were called, he making no Challenges the Gentlemen that were sworn on the Jury were

<i>Charles Bludworth, Esq;</i>	<i>William Draper, Esq;</i>
<i>Henry Tendall, Esq;</i>	<i>Richard Nicholas, Esq;</i>
<i>Walter Kent, Esq;</i>	<i>Cæsar Bradshaw, Esq;</i>
<i>John Burchet, Esq;</i>	<i>John Cater, Gent.</i>
<i>John Pettiward, Esq;</i>	<i>Samuel Pearson, Gent.</i>
<i>Thomas Lowfield, Esq;</i>	<i>Richard Hammond, Gent.</i>

The KING against *Richard Hathaway* for an Impostor.

SURREY ff. *The King's Attorney General has exhibited an Indictment against the Defendant, by the Name of Richard Hathaway, of Southwark, in the County of Surrey, Labourer; and the Information sets forth, That the said Richard Hathaway, being a Per-*

*son of an evil Name and Fame, and an Impostor, and contriving and maliciously intending, one Sarah Morduck, the Wife of one Edward Morduck, of Southwark, in the said County, Waterman, who for the whole Course of her Life was an honest and pious Woman, and not a Witch, nor using Witchcraft, Inchantment, Charm or Sorcery, to bring into the Danger of losing her Life, the 11th Day of February, in the 12th Year of the Reign of the King, at Southwark, in the said County, in the Presence and Hearing of diverse Persons, falsely, maliciously, devilishly, and knowingly, and as a false Impostor, did pretend and affirm himself, by the said Sarah, to be bewitched, and by the Occasion of that pretended Witchcraft, he could not eat, and by the Space of Ten Weeks to fast, and was affected with diverse Diseases; and that he by drawing Blood from the said Sarah, by scratching, should be freed from the said pretended Witchcraft; that the said Richard Hathaway, did then and there, with Force and Arms, scratch the said Sarah, and did draw the Blood of her, the said Sarah, by scratching; and thereupon, he, the said Richard Hathaway, did then and there, falsely, maliciously, and knowingly, by affirming himself to be freed from the said Diseases, by drawing the said Blood; whereas in Fact and in Truth, the said Richard Hathaway was never bewitched, and had not fasted for the Time aforesaid, nor for any great Time; and whereas in Truth and in Fact, the said Richard, then, and there, well knew himself not to be bewitched by the said Sarah, to the great Contempt of our Lord the King and his Laws, to the evil and wicked Example of all others in the like Case offending, and against the Peace of our said Lord the King, his Crown and Dignity, &c.*

Mr. Raymond. May it please your Lordship, and you Gentlemen of the Jury, The Information sets forth, That the Defendant being a Person of an evil Fame, and an Impostor, and maliciously contriving



triving to take away the Life of one *Sarah Morduck*, the Wife of *Edward Morduck*, who always was a good Woman, and not a Witch, nor using Witchcraft, the 11th Day of *February*, in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of the late King, at *Southwark*, in the Presence and Hearing of diverse Persons, did falsely, devilishly, and knowingly, and as a false Impostor, pretend and affirm himself to be bewitched by the said *Sarah*, and that by Reason thereof, he could not eat, but had fasted for Ten Weeks, and was also affected with diverse Diseases; and that by his drawing Blood from the said *Sarah*, by scratching, he should be freed from his said pretending Bewitching: That the Defendant did thereupon scratch the said *Sarah*, and did draw the Blood of the said *Sarah* by such his Scratching, and thereupon he falsely affirmed, that by drawing the said Blood he was freed from the said Diseases; whereas in Truth and Fact he was never bewitched, nor had he fasted as aforesaid, and he knew himself not to be bewitched by the said *Sarah*, in Contempt of the said late King, and his Laws, and against the Peace of his Crown and Dignity.

Mr. *Conyers*. May it please your Lordship, and you Gentlemen of the Jury, This is an Information against *Richard Hathaway*, for a Cheat, for endeavouring to impose upon the People a Belief, that he had been bewitched by one *Sarah Morduck*, and that as an Effect of her pretended Witchery, he vomited up Nails and Pins, and that he could not speak, nor open his Eyes, and that great Noises were heard in the House where he lay, and there could be no Remedy for him, but by his scratching and fetching Blood of this *Sarah Morduck*; and by this Means the poor Woman has been very much abused, by her Neighbours, reputed a Witch, and brought to a Trial for her Life as such; but that there was nothing but a malicious Design in it, will appear by

the Evidence that will be produced. This *Richard Hathaway* was for sometime an Apprentice with one *Welling*, a Blacksmith, in *Southwark*. About September last was Twelvemonth, he gave out that he was bewitched, and he went to this Woman's House and scratched her, and the Pretence was, that scratching and fetching Blood of her recovered him. The Minister of the Parish, Doctor *Martin*, hearing that it was noised about, that the Defendant had been relieved by scratching *Morduck*, came and visited him. He could neither speak nor see as he pretended, but understood what was said to him, and gave Assent to what was proposed to him by holding up of his Hands ; Doctor *Martin* tells him, he heard that this Woman had bewitched him, and that his scratching of her was the Means by which he was relieved, and that he desired to see the Experiment himself, and therefore had brought *Sarah Morduck* there, and desired him to hold up his Hand if he understood what he said, which he did. Doctor *Martin* had another Woman there at that Time (tho' that was concealed from *Hathaway*) and *Sarah Morduck*, by the Doctor's Direction, spoke to him, and came to his Bed side, and the Defendant was, by the Doctor, bid to scratch her. When he came to scratch, the Doctor took the Hand of the other Person and put it into the Defendant's Hand, and as soon as he had scratched the other Person, his Eyes began to open, and he could speak ; and immediately it was made known to himself and the Company, that the Person he had scratched was another Person, and not *Sarah Morduck*. But notwithstanding this, he was not satisfied, but still there was a Prosecution of *Sarah Morduck* for a Witch, and she was forced for sometime to go and reside in *London* ; and there the Rabble got about her and abused her, of which Complaint was made to a Magistrate in the City, and *Sarah Morduck* was had before him,

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and then *Hathaway* was sent for, and there again scratched her ; and it was so far credited there, notwithstanding an Account given by Doctor *Martin* of the Experiment he made, that the poor Woman is committed for a Witch, and afterwards brought to a Trial for her Life ; and upon the Trial it appeared plainly that all this was a Contrivance, and there was no Evidence to charge her with the bewitching this Man ; and after a long Hearing, upon a full Evidence, the Jury acquitted her, and the Man was committed for a Cheat. But, notwithstanding this Acquittal, he still goes on to persuade People, that he was bewitched ; that he had fasted several Days together, and could not eat ; and then for a further Conviction that he was an Impostor, and only endeavoured, maliciously and falsely, to impose this Belief on People, he is about the Beginning of last *November* committed to the Care of a Surgeon, one Mr. *Kensley*, where for two Days he did not eat ; but afterwards his Stomach began to come to him, and when he could get any Victuals privately he had a very good Stomach, and could eat and drink till he was drunk. And it was contrived, that Holes were made into the Room where he was, and the Maid that look'd after him, was directed to give him Notice that she would help him privately to Victuals ; and from the Second Day after he was there, till the Eleventh Day, he did eat constantly every Day, though he pretended he fasted all that Time, and had done so for Fourteen Weeks ; and he was seen to eat through those Holes. All this, and much more, will be fully proved by the Witnesses ; so that there has been a great Affront to the publick Justice of the Nation by this Proceeding, many having abetted it, and they have put up Bills in several Churches to pray for him against the Trial, and gathered Money to support him in this false and malicious Pretence.

Mr. *Brodrick*. My Lord, the discovering and punishing such a Cheat as this, is highly necessary, and not only for the vindicating the publick Justice of the Nation, but for the Sake of Religion itself, which suffers by nothing more, than by the countenancing of indirect Practices, made use of upon a Pretence of maintaining and supporting its Credit. Religion has in itself such genuine and native Truth, as must work Conviction upon the Understandings of all Persons, who allow themselves Leisure to consider it without Prejudice : But when Tricks and little Arts are carried on for a Time, and attain a general Credit, and appear afterwards to be what are called *pious Frauds*, they do far more Mischief than all the Good proposed by such Practices can make Amends for. For when Men who are sceptically inclined, find that the Generality of Mankind run away with Stories of this Nature, and those Facts afterwards prove undeniably false ; they carry their Doubts on much too far, and are apt to conclude, that they cannot securely rely upon the Relation of others, and general Consent of Mankind, for the Certainty of any Fact whatsoever. It is therefore the Duty of all Persons, that are concerned for Religion in general, to endeavour to detect such Practices which weaken one of its most solid Foundations.

And, my Lord, we conceive this Prosecution very necessary, in order to the vindicating the Justice of the Nation. Here was a Woman that underwent a solemn Trial, and upon a full Hearing was acquitted ; yet afterwards, notwithstanding the thorough Examination of the Fact, and such an Evidence given as convinced every unprejudiced Hearer of the Innocence of the Defendant, and the Malice and Hypocrisy of the Accuser, such a Spirit did reign, that it was represented that the Defendant had hard Measure ; and not only the Jury, but the  
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Court too, were reflected on ; nay, it went so far, that after the Innocence of the Woman appeared by her Acquittal, a Magistrate (whose Name the Witnesses will disclose in their Evidence) gave publick Countenance to this Impostor (for by that Name I will venture to call him) and so far gave Credit to him, that when the poor Woman was abused by the Rabble, and her Life being in Danger, she made Application to that Magistrate for Protection ; who, instead of affording it to her, encouraged her Prosecutors, as if she had really been guilty of the Witchcraft laid to her Charge ; and considerable Collections were made for this Man, to support his Spirits under the Disappointment that he met with in her being acquitted.

This Prosecution was necessary too, upon the Account of the poor Woman, who, unless some Check be put to the unruly Proceedings of unthinking People, is not yet safe in her House, but in danger to be torn in pieces ; and it was thought most proper that this Matter should be thoroughly examined in this Place, where the Scene of his counterfeiting for the most Part did lie, that prepossessed People might be Ear-witnesses of the Fairness of the Proceeding, and that all Persons might have an Opportunity if they thought fit of offering any thing, fit to be offered, in his Defence.

My Lord, we need not trouble the Court with Evidence tending to prove that the accused Person is not guilty of Witchcraft ; she is acquitted of that, and it ought not to be suffered to be made a Dispute : But our Evidence will go beyond that ; not only that there was no Colour or Foundation for the Charge on her, of being a Witch : But that the Defendant did maliciously, without any Ground, and contrary to his own Knowledge, charge her with the having bewitched him. And I think our Evidence all through will prove this Matter fully upon him ; that

he was not bewitched, nay, that he did not believe himself to be so, yet charged and prosecuted her.

The first Part of his pretended Witchcraft shewed itself by his vomiting Pins; how that Business was managed, and how he was detected in it, the Witnesses will declare: And though we are not obliged to endeavour the giving an Account of what it was that induced him first to undertake this Imposture, I think it will appear by the Evidence that he had some Aim and Prospect of Gain to himself; for, upon his first pretending to vomit Pins, we shall prove he had prepared *A Narrative of his own being bewitched*, and *he himself carried it to a Printer*, that so he might bring a Concourse of People to him; but the Printer being a Man of some Understanding, look'd on him to be a Cheat, and would not meddle with the Copy: He practis'd his Trick of vomiting Pins several times, but pretending to it once before one who did not take every thing upon trust, but was curious enough to observe nicely, and search him, *after some Resistance, several Rows of Pins were found in his Pockets*.

The next Discovery of his Imposture was the Affair wherein Doctor Martin was concerned; who brought Two Women to him: The Particulars of which having been already opened, I'll not repeat them; the Doctor put an innocent Deceit upon him, but it was in order to disclose a vile Impostor. When the Woman was brought to him to be scratched, being conscious to himself, how little real Effect the barbarous Experiment would have upon him, the whole Company observed, that he felt three or four times from her Hand to her Elbow, before he scratched; that he might be sure it was a Woman's Hand. And when he had scratched, and felt Blood, his Eyes were opened, though it was the wrong Woman.

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Another Instance of his acting a Part, with Design to impose upon the World, was, when he was carried from the *King's-Bench* to Mr. *Kensley's*; it was necessarily to be imagined, that if he eat or drank nothing, nothing would come from him, either by Stool or Urine: He considered this, and for fear it should be taken Notice of, that he discharged himself after so long a Fast as he pretended; having Occasion to make Water, he found the Lid of a Box, and making Water in it, put it out of Sight, on the Bed's tester, and the first Discovery of his counterfeiting at Mr. *Kensley's*, was by the Dropping of that Water on the Cloaths of the Bed: After he had been Two Days there, (during which Time he really did not eat) Mr. *Kensley* not knowing but that his Complexion might incline him to such a Sullenness as to starve himself, rather than directly confess his Cheat, having first examined his Mouth and Throat, and finding nothing there but as it was in all other Men, and that he had not only all other Organs but that of swallowing, without any Obstruction as other People had, thereupon he framed this Design; he took Occasion to pretend a Quarrel with the Maid Servant who lived in his House, within the Hearing of the Defendant, and told her she was as very a Hypocrite as this Fellow; and after warm Words on both Sides, and a seeming Resolution by her that she would quit her Service, the Master went away, leaving the Maid and the Defendant together; she, to insinuate herself into the Defendant, said, her Master was an odd kind of a Man, a dangerous Man, therefore she would not have the Defendant take any thing from him, and said she would take care to supply him whilst she staid in the House: Then his Stomach came to him very readily, and he was so far from being unable to drink, that he drank Brandy and other Liquors to Excess, and this for several Days.

But still those in the House being wary, thought it might be pretended by People who were very willing to believe him, that this happened by the Charms being dissolved, and that he was unable to eat before ; and therefore it was thought advisable to bring in several Persons of Reputation who should observe him (through a Hole, fit for the Purpose) who after they had seen him eat, examined him how long he had been a Faster ; and *he made Signs, that he had fasted Twelve Weeks, and clung up his Belly as a Proof of his Emptiness, according to his common Practice, though he had in their Sight just before eaten a plentiful Meal.* So that, Gentlemen, it is evident, that what he did was done maliciously, and with a Design to deceive and impose upon the World : After this, there being sufficient Proof of the Imposture, it was thought fit to bring him before a Court of Justice ; thereupon this Information was exhibited against him ; and if we prove it, I doubt not but that you, Gentlemen of the Jury, will do that Right to the Government, and to Religion, as to find him guilty of it, that he may be brought to the Punishment that such a Crime deserves.

Mr. *Phipps*. My Lord, I humbly pray your Lordship's Indulgence of the same Side ; and beg Leave to observe this Man was formerly troubled with Fits, and there was a Design laid by him and his Friends to create a Belief in People that those Fits were the Effect of Sorcery and Witchcraft ; but whether to get Money, or take away the Life of the Woman, or both, I submit to your Lordship's Judgment upon the Evidence : 'Tis certain they proceeded so far as to bring her to a Trial, and did what they could to take away her Life. And the better to carry on their Designs, and to prepare the World to believe the Impostor, we shall shew, that when he had these Fits, it was industriously published, that he



was bewitched, and that it was by this Woman, and if he could but scratch her he would be well. Doctor *Martin*, the Minister of the Parish, hearing of it, came to him, and to make an Experiment to discover the Imposture, brought another Woman with the pretended Witch, and said to *Hathaway*, if you think the scratching this Woman, meaning *Morduck*, the pretended Witch, will do you any good, hold up your Hand, which he did ; then the Doctor put the other Woman's Hand into his, and although, at that Time, he pretended to be blind and dumb, and he and his Friends would have had it thought that he lay under the strongest of the old Woman's Charms, yet he was apprehensive of what he did, and so jealous lest he should be imposed upon, and thereby his Imposture discovered, that he felt several times from the Wrist to the Elbow, to discover whether it was the Arm of the pretended Witch or no, before he would begin scratching, and then believing it to be hers, (it being much about the same Size) fell to scratching, and being told he had fetched Blood, his Eyes were immediately opened, and his Speech restored.

The Doctor thinking every body was convinced of this Impostor, and believing the poor Woman would be quiet for the future, went away.

But notwithstanding this Detection, the People were dissatisfied, and *Welling*, the Master of *Hathaway*, and others, being angry at the Discovery, pursued the Woman with more Malice than before, wherever they found her, and cried out, a Witch ; and used her so barbarously, she was forced to leave *Southwark*, where she had lived many Years, and also her Employment, which had been profitable to her, and to go live in *London*.

Their Malice pursued her thither, and there *Hathaway*, with Soldiers and others, in a riotous Manner got into the House where she lodged, and  
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would have broke open the Door where she was ; but a Constable being called in, the Soldiers went off, and *Hathaway* was carried before an Alderman of the City, and the poor Woman and her Friends acquainted the Alderman of the riotous and illegal Proceedings, and prayed that Justice might be done upon them : But, instead of punishing them, he was pleased to say there was too great Provocation for what they had done, and giving Credit to the Accusation of *Hathaway* against the Woman, ordered her to be carried up Stairs to be searched, to see if she had any Teats, or other Signs of a Witch, and permitted her to be scratched by *Hathaway*, and then committed her for a Witch, refusing 500*l.* Bail, and dismissed *Hathaway*.

The Woman afterwards was brought to a Trial at *Guildford* Assizes, and was acquitted ; and he was committed for a Cheat ; and to make more ample Discovery of the Imposture, he was taken to the House of Mr. *Kensley*, a Chirurgion, and there he was obstinate, and would not eat for the first Two Days ; and a Quarrel was feigned between Mr. *Kensley* and his Maid, he saying she was as bad an Hypocrite as *Richard Hathaway* ; and gave her Warning to be gone : The Maid seemed very angry with her Master, and said to *Hathaway*, whatever you do, do not eat any thing that is given you by my Master or his Brother, for they are your Enemies, and promised she would help him privately to what he wanted ; whereupon, he thinking she had been his Friend, and that he was safe in her Hands, took Meat and Drink from her from Day to Day, and eat heartily, and drank so very plentifully of strong Beer and Brandy, and was so merry that he play'd on the Tongs, and danced and shewed Tricks before the Maid ; but when any body else offered him Meat or Drink he refused it, making Signs that he could not swallow, and signified to them, that he fasted

fasted all the Fourteen Days that he had been at *Kensley's*, and that he had fasted many Weeks before. And as to his vomiting Pins, it will appear to you, that he carried Papers of Pins in his Pocket, to make use of on Occasion. But when he vomited in a Bason, and his Hands were kept down, and he not permitted to carry them up to the Bason, there was not one Pin in the Bason.

I will not trouble your Lordship with a Detail of all the particular Instances of this Cheat, but will call our Witneses, and when we have proved the several Matters that have been opened, there will be no Room to doubt but that the Defendant is an Impostor, and the greatest this Age hath produced.

Mr. *Conyers*. We will first call Doctor *Martin*, (who was sworn) we will go on with our Evidence in the Course of Time. The first Time that Notice was taken in the Parish of this Business, was in *September* was Twelvemonth. Doctor *Martin*, pray give my Lord and the Jury an Account, whether you know *Richard Hathaway*, and when was the first Discourse of this Witchery.

Doctor *Martin*. *February* last was Twelvemonth (the Ninth Day to the best of my Remembrance) I came to Church in the Afternoon, and after the Curate was gone into the Desk to read Prayers, I was going into the Pew; but hearing a great Hurly-burly in the Church, I sent the Sexton to know what was the Occasion of it. He brought Word that there was a Witch in the Church; so the Curate could not go on in reading Prayers; and the Sexton went and brought in one *Sarah Morduck* to me; and after her came a great many of the People into the Vestry; so that, though it be pretty large, it was presently filled. And this *Sarah Morduck* came up to me, and told me what was the Occasion of her being brought there. I asked her how she had behaved herself amongst her Neighbours,  
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that should give such Occasion to deal thus with her ? She began to cry, and said, she had given no Occasion for it. I told her, I had nothing to do to inquire into the Business, but bid her continue in the Vestry, the whole Congregation being so much disturbed, that they would go out of the Church if she staid in it. So I turned every Body out of the Vestry and locked her in. And Sermon being ended, I came into the Vestry, but found she was gone ; and upon Inquiry, I understood the Reason was this ; the Sexton told me, that she said, if she staid till all the People went out, she should be torn in pieces, and begged of him to let her out while the Psalm was singing after Sermon, that she might go away undiscerned, and accordingly she went. Afterwards many of my Parishioners made Application to me to go to *Richard Hathaway*, who was supposed to be bewitched ; and they told me, that it was taken very ill that I had deferred it so long. Upon this I went to him the next Day, and meeting his Master below Stairs, I ask'd him what Condition his Servant was in. He said, he was blind and speechless, and was a very dismal Object. I said, I desire to be excused, for I did not love to see any dismal Sights. But he said he was very sensible, and knew every one by their Voice. And with that I went into the Room, and his Master (speaking to *Richard Hathaway*) said, Mr. *Martin* is come to see you. Says I, *Richard*, I am come to see you, and if you know me, hold up your Hand ; he did so, and took me by the Hand and kiss'd it. I ask'd him whether I should pray with him in the Prayers of the Church, and if he desired it, I bid him hold up his Hand ; he did so, and I prayed with him, and he did seem to be affected with it, and lifted up his Hands several times. Afterwards I took my Leave of him, and went down ; and I discoursed with his Master for some time :

I asked him what he thought was the Reason of it ; he said, an evil Tongue, and a bad Woman, *Sarah Morduck*, had bewitched him. But how do you know that? His Master then told me he had scratched her, and found Good by it ; and said, he was utterly undone by it, and if I did not speak to the Churchwardens to take him off his Hands, he should be ruined. And, hearing of this scratching, it came into my Head to try an Experiment too, so I went away, but without discovering my Intentions ; and about Ten o'Clock at Night, to prevent Jealousies, I went to the House where *Sarah Morduck* lodged, and found she was gone to Bed. I left Word that I desired to speak with her the next Day ; but instead of her coming to me, her Brother, Mr. *Herne*, came to me, and thanked me for preserving his Sister from the Mob. I gave him the Reason why I did that, and I told him then, what I intended to do. He answered me, I am afraid my Sister will be so silly that it will fail in the Execution. I bid him leave that to me, I would give such Directions in the Matter, that it was impossible for it to miscarry ; so he left me to my Liberty to do what I thought fit. Then, says I, when I send for her, do you come with her. I went to the House where *Hathaway* lay, and went into the Room, where he lay with his Eyes fast shut, and seemingly speechless. I spoke to him, *I am informed you have received Benefit by scratching Sarah Morduck formerly, now if I can get this Woman for you to scratch her, do you believe by scratching her you shall receive any Benefit? If you do, hold up your Hand* ; so he did ; and by and by there came a Message that Mr. *Herne* and the Witch were come. I then desired Mr. *Bateman*, whom I brought with me for that Purpose, to sit by the Bed's-side while I went down, lest any might inform him what was said, or he might over-hear any thing spoken below. So he

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fate there, and I went down, and I bid them let in as many as would come in; and when the Room was full, the Door was lock'd. I had before met with a poor Woman, whom I ordered to follow me, who received Alms of the Parish, designing she should have been the Person the Experiment should be tried on. I told them I designed to try another Woman, and I will make him believe he scratches the Witch. The Answer was, this will signify nothing; *Welling's* Wife said he had scratched another Woman, and it signified nothing; now this was, to the best of my Remembrance, one *Willoughby*, who is a very big Woman, and very much unlike *Sarah Morduck*; but I desired the Satisfaction to see it done myself; upon which it was consented to: Then I asked the Woman I brought about it; I told her I would give her a Shilling if she would let this Man scratch her: She flew off, and said she would not suffer it for all the World. At last some body said, here is a Woman will suffer herself to be scratched; and this was one *Johnson*. I asked her, if she would suffer herself to be scratched; she said she would if there would come no Damage by it; says I, whatever Damage you sustain I will make it good to you; and you being about the Size of *Sarah Morduck*, are a very fit Person. She did decline it for some time, but at last she consented; and, after some Instructions given to her and *Morduck*, we went up together with many of the Neighbours. *Tho' you cannot see*, says I to *Richard Hathaway*, *you can hear that there are many People in the Room; now, before all these People, do you believe that Sarah Morduck has done you this Mischief? If you do, hold up your Hand*; he did so. *Do you believe you shall be relieved by scratching her? If you do, hold up your Hand*; he did hold up his Hand. *Sarah Morduck, do you speak to him, that he may know you are the Person*. Says she, *What is the Matter with you? Do you believe this Woman*, said I, *to be the Person that*



that has bewitched you? If you do, hold up your Hand; he held up his Hand. Then I asked Sarah Morduck, are you willing this Man shall scratch you? Yes, with all my Heart, he shall have my Heart's Blood if it will do him any Good. Then, says I, pray give me your Hand? Here it is. And, instead of taking her Hand, I took Johnson's, and clapt it into his; and I did observe that two or three Times he felt from her Wrist to her Elbow, and I said, I have something else to do than to wait on you (and I spoke to him somewhat eagerly) if you will not scratch I will be gone; then he scratched her, and she whispered me in the Ear, she believed she should faint. I saw he had razed her Skin, and I said, you have drawn Blood, and you may be satisfied; with that he left off, and turned on his Back in his Bed. I turned out Johnson immediately, and I and Morduck stood together; and he lay still for sometime; but I saw nothing would do, if I did not work him up: Now, says I, I would fain see how his Eyes are now; come, some of you, look, do not his Eyes twinkle? With that both his Eyes were as open as mine are now, and he caught hold of the Apron of Sarah Morduck, and look'd her in the Face. Then I told him his Mistake, and Johnson came in with her Arm bleeding; says I, this is the Woman you scratched, you have not touched Sarah Morduck's Arm, nor fetched one Drop of Blood from her. The Fellow upon this seemed very much cast down. Now, says I, give way to no Humours, and go about your Business, and serve God and your Master. Then I went down, and several People were satisfied. Well, says I to Welling, your Man's Eyes are open now. It's well, says he, if his Eyes continue open. He can speak and see too now. I do not know, says he, it is strange if he should do well after this. Farewell, said I, and I went into London. Upon my Return, about Five o'Clock,

o'Clock, I enquired about him, and found *there was* a greater Mob in the House than before, and I was accosted at my first coming in by the Master and Mistress of that Fellow ; what have you done ? you have ruined both me and my Family—

L. C. J. *Holt*. Who said so ?

Mr. *Martin*. The Master and Mistress of this Fellow. Why, what Hurt have I done you ? You have given it out to be a Cheat. Did you get any Money by it ? No, I never did expect it : But pray go and look on him now, he is in a worse Condition than he was before. Here have been two Doctors, and they will take their Oath that he is bewitched. So I went away, but as I went out, I was stopt by *Johnson*, she cries out, what have you done ? What is the Matter, said I, does your Arm fester ? No, but this wicked Woman has spread abroad, that by scratching me he was relieved, and she is not the Witch, but I am the Witch ; and it had reached her Husband's Ear, and he was become so jealous of her, that he would not have any thing to do with her. I went away after this, and going home met her Husband, and gave him all the Satisfaction I could, that his Wife was no Witch. And I was informed the next Day, that *Sarah Morduck* had been dragged again to the House, sometime after I went away, and brought to *Hathaway's* Bed-side, and he scratched her, and his Eyes were opened, and he eat and drank, and walked about ; upon this, I sent one Evening to him to come to me ; and I took him into my Study, and said, what is the meaning of it, that you make such a Trouble in the Parish, to condemn this Woman for Witchery ? I see no Reason for it. She has done me a great deal of Hurt, said *Hathaway*, she has bewitched me ; he said, that was the Woman had done him all the Prejudice he laboured under. Then says I, you are a poor sort of Fellow, you must get your  
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Living by your Labour ; now you had better go into the Country out of her Reach. No, Sir, says he, I am bound an Apprentice to my Master, and if I go, I shall be as bad there as I am here ; and seeing I was bound here, this Parish must keep me ; and if I should go into the Country, they will send me back again. Why will you not try ? No, I will not : Do you not believe I am bewitched ? No, I do not. Then, says he, I may as well not believe what you say in the Pulpit ; I may say to you, as our Saviour said to the *Jews*, *Though you see Miracles, you will not believe.* Whereupon I turned him away, and did not think I should have had any thing more to do with him. But, about *Easter* last, Sir *Thomas Lane* sent to me, to desire me to come to him ; the Witch being then got into *London* for Shelter.

I went accordingly ; and when I came, I found *Hathaway*, his Master, and several others there ; I found him looking briskly, and eating heartily, and I asked the Meaning of it. It was answered, that before Sir *Thomas Lane* he had drawn Blood of *Sarah Morduck*, and that had brought him to himself. I sent in my Name to Sir *Thomas Lane*, and he sent for me in ; there was Sir *Owen Buckingham*, and, I think, Doctor *Hamilton*. There were several People examined while I was there about this Person, and after all, Sir *Thomas Lane* desired me to tell what I knew in this Matter. I gave an Account of what I have done here. Says Sir *Thomas Lane*, *Richard Hathaway*, do you know that Gentleman ? Yes. How ? I have seen him in the Pulpit. What, no where else ? Did you not see him by your Bed-side ? No. No, was not I with you at your Bed-side ? No. All this while he was eating Bread and Cheese, till Sir *Thomas Lane* spoke to him, lay by your Bread and Cheese, and be not so unmannerly. Says I, this is very unaccountable, that he should not know me, and yet he had said, that after Mr. *Martin* was gone, I was a great deal worse than I was before ;



before ; this is a very unaccountable Thing, and I desire to know how this is consistent ; therefore I do desire his Master may be called in. And his Master was sent for, and *Hathaway* was going out to call him : No, says I, I desire he may not go out, I will call his Master myself. When *Welling* came in, I asked him, whether he did not tell me that *Hathaway* was sensible from the Time I came to him ? Yes, he was. Now, I desire to know how these Things are consistent : And to put this out of Doubt, that this Man did see me, the Woman stood at the Side of the Bed by me, near the Feet, and he took hold of her Apron readily : How can he come off in this Matter ? Says Sir *Thomas Lane*, they tell you he had a most violent Fit after, and that made him forget what was done before. Another Question was asked Mr. *Welling*, you know you desired me to get this Servant of yours off your Hands, and that I would speak to the Churchwardens about it : Now I am informed, this Servant of yours was going to *Goodmans-fields*, and as he was going, the Press-masters met him, and he being a likely Fellow, they whipt him aboard ; is this true or no ? Yes. And then you got a Letter, and went down and fetched him up. Yes. Then, says I, how came his Master to be so much concerned to be rid of him as he pretended, and yet when he might have been rid of his Servant, would not take the Opportunity ? To that Sir *Owen Buckingham* answered, it was only his Charity for him to fetch him from a-board ; he could do no less, considering his Condition ; so I came away. In a little Time after, I heard that this *Sarah Morduck* was bound over to the Assizes, and I was subpœna'd to give my Evidence the last Assizes at *Guildford*.

Then the Indictment was read, upon which *Sarah Morduck* was tried and acquitted of bewitching *Richard Hathaway*.

Mr.

Mr. Conyers. Doctor Martin, pray go on.

Mr. Martin. I was subpœnaed to go to the Assizes : But before the Assizes came on, there were Bills put up in several Churches, and particularly at *Christ-Church*, where I happened to preach : I read the Bill, *A poor Man being afflicted by an evil Woman, now coming to her Trial, desires the Prayers of this Congregation.* I went down to *Guildford* to the Trial, and when I came up, I thought all People would be satisfied with the Justice that was done. But when I came to Town, I was abused by many People, both openly and privately : *You have the Blood of that innocent Man to lie at your Door ; the Woman had been hang'd if you had not saved her ; the Judgment of God will fall on you.* One Woman followed me to the Water-side, and said, I was the Occasion of the Ruin of that innocent Man ; for she herself—

L. C. J. Holt. Who is this ?

Mr. Martin. I do not know her, I only give Evidence of the Abuses I underwent.

Mr. Conyers. Do you know any thing after the Assizes, how he behaved himself ?

Mr. Martin. No, Sir, I know nothing of that.

Mr. S. Jenner. What was done by other People ought not to be given in Evidence.

Mr. Broderick. If this Man does prove an Impostor, it will aggravate his Crime ; if the Consequence be mischievous, and the World be still abused with a Persuasion that he was bewitched.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. What was done by other People signifies nothing to us.

Mr. Broderick. This is very material, for it is a Confirmation that there was a Design carried on—  
[being interrupted.]

L. C. J. Holt to Serj. Jenner. What other People did, must not affect this Man. But hear what Answer can be given, you that are the Queen's Council.

Mr.

Mr. *Broderick*. The Charge of the Information is, that he as an Impostor, pretended himself to be bewitched by *Sarah Morduck*, to deceive the World and prejudice the Woman : And what can be more proper Evidence of that Charge, than that although he really was not bewitched, yet he had so prevailed upon the Opinions of the People, that they still believe him bewitched, and affronted Doctor *Martin* for being instrumental in her Acquittal : 'Tis all of a Piece, a Continuance of the same Imposture.

L. C. J. *Holt*. This Evidence is proper. He is indicted for a Cheat for endeavouring to beget an Opinion in People by his fraudulent Practices, that he is bewitched. Now, Doctor *Martin* says, the People were still possessed with such a Belief, and thereupon affronted him, because they thought he was instrumental in having the Woman acquitted ; now, is not this an Evidence that his pretending himself to be bewitched begat that Opinion in the People ?

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What the Doctor has said all along has been of what others have done.

L. C. J. *Holt*. No, it has been what he saw himself. You say this Man's Evidence is most of what others have said ; not so, he has by himself prayed with him, and tried an Experiment with him upon a wrong Woman.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. He tells you what *Welling* said, and others, how does this affect my Client, what another Man, or another Woman, said ?

L. C. J. *Holt*. He was insulted upon the Account that *Hathaway* pretended himself to be bewitched, blind, speechless, and not able to eat.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. My Lord, with Submission, other People's censuring the Doctor cannot be brought as Evidence against my Client, unless they  
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make it appear that he had a Hand in it, unless he put them upon it.

*L. C. J. Holt.* What other People have said, abstractedly considered, ought not to affect *Richard Hathaway*; but if there be Evidence that *Hathaway* hath been guilty of Deceit, and a Design to deceive People, will you not allow it to be given in Evidence that People have been deceived? And how came they to be deceived but by his feigning himself to be bewitched?

*Juryman.* Mr. Serjeant, if you have any thing to object, we desire to hear what you say, for you speak so low we cannot hear you.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* I object to what the Doctor says by Hearsay only.

*Juryman.* I believe that will be little considered by the Jury.

*L. C. J. Holt.* The Information is for an Impostor and Cheat; now, what is that? A Cheat is a Design to impose on the Credulity of others, to induce them to believe a Thing that is not true. Now Doctor *Martin's* Evidence is what *Hathaway* did, and that People did believe him to be bewitched, and they abused Mr. *Martin*, and told him he had done very ill in the Case of this Woman, and if it had not been for him she had been condemned.

*Mr. Martin.* I have only one Thing more to say, it was reported that I had been bribed; I was told I had received several Guineas; that the Judge was bribed, and the Jury bribed, and the Judge would not suffer the Woman to be searched, he being bribed.

*Mr. Conyers.* Doctor, have you done?

*Mr. Martin.* I have.

*Mr. Conyers.* We will next call Mrs. *Johnson*, who was scratched.

*Mr. Broderick.* Sir, I think you mentioned a Gentleman that you sent for up: Where is he?

Mr. *Martin*. He is here.

Mr. *Broderick*. What is his Name ?

Mr. *Martin*. Mr. *Bateman*.

Mr. *Broderick*. We will call him to give an Account of that.

Mr. *Conyers*. We will first call this Woman. Mrs. *Johnson*, were you at any Time with Doctor *Martin* at such Time as *Hathaway* pretended to be bewitched ?

Mrs. *Johnson*. Yes.

Mr. *Conyers*. Then pray give my Lord and the Jury an Account of what you know about it.

Mrs. *Johnson*. I went into the Room to see *Sarah Morduck*.

Mr. *Conyers*. What Room ?

Mrs. *Johnson*. I was in the Room where Doctor *Martin* fetched her to be scratched ; and Doctor *Martin* told me he designed that he should scratch some other Woman, and he desired me to let him scratch me ; but I denied him, and said, I was a Wife, and was not willing : At last I consented, and he told me I must not speak when I came into the Room where *Hathaway* was ; and he brought me to the Fellow, and he said to him, if you think the Blood of this *Sarah Morduck* will do you any Good, hold up your Hand ? Which he did. Then he bid *Sarah Morduck* speak to him, which she did. Says he, are you willing this Man should scratch you ? She said, yes, my Heart's Blood if it will do him Good. So with that he scratched me, and *Sarah Morduck* cried out, he had razed the Skin off my Arm, but no Blood came presently. Doctor *Martin* desired me not to speak, and I did not ; the Blood came afterwards, but none then.

Mr. *Conyers*. Were you in the Room when the Doctor spoke to him ?

Mrs. *Johnson*. I went into the other Room, Doctor *Martin* put me out before him.

Mr.

Mr. Conyers. Was you not brought in again ?

Mrs. Johnson. No, I went in of my own Accord.

Mr. Conyers. In what Condition was he then ?

Mrs. Johnson. He looked in this Manner, his Eyes staring open.

L. C. J. Holt. Were his Eyes shut when you first came and was scratched, or open ?

Mrs. Johnson. No, they were fast shut.

L. C. J. Holt. Did he speak then ?

Mrs. Johnson. No, he said nothing when I came back till his Eyes were open, and then he said, O Christ Jesus ! or O Lord Jesus !

Mr. Phipps. But did he feel your Arm before he scratched you ?

Mrs. Johnson. Yes, over and over.

Mr. Conyers. Call *William Bateman* (who appeared and was sworn). Pray give an Account what you know of this Defendant's vomiting Pins.

*Will. Bateman*. About a Twelvemonth ago I went to see *Richard Hathaway*.

Mr. Conyers. Were you desired to go to him by Doctor *Martin* ?

*Will. Bateman*. I cannot remember that.

L. C. J. Holt. Where do you live ?

*Will. Bateman*. In *Pembrokeshire*.

Mr. Conyers. Then you do not remember any Thing that past then ?

*Will. Bateman*. I do not say I do not remember any Thing, but I do not remember whether Doctor *Martin* desired me to go to him.

Mr. Conyers. Give an Account of what you know about his vomiting Pins.

*Will. Bateman*. About this Time Twelvemonth, on a Sunday Night, a Woman came to Doctor *Martin*'s House to enquire for him ; I went to the Door, and the Woman said, if Doctor *Martin* would but come now, he might see *Hathaway* vomit Pins. Can I see him ? says I. Yes, says she. So I went

immediately, and in the House there were little Chinks that I could see through ; and I saw him walk about the House, and heard him talk to the People, and I stood some time to hear him. At last I knock'd, and he came and let me in ; and seeing me, he seemed to be troubled, and feigned himself to be in some Pain.

*Mr. Raymond.* You say you look'd through the Chink ; how was he then ? Repeat that.

*Will. Bateman.* He seemed to be as well as he is now.

*Mr. Raymond.* What did you do then.

*Will. Bateman.* I knocked, and he let me in, and when I came where the Light was he knew me ; and I said to him, I hear you spew Pins. Yes, says he : Says I, pr'thee let me see thee. So he sat on a low Seat, and they gave him something in a Cup, and by drinking this I was to see him vomit Pins ; and he took some Drink, but, as far as I could perceive, he did not swallow any.

*Mr. Conyers.* What was the Effect of it ?

*Will. Bateman.* He pretended then to be in an Agony, and vomited several times, and there were Pins on the Ground. I had the Room swept very clean, and gave him the same again. He vomited again, and there were abundance of Pins on the Ground again ; I believe he vomited fourteen or fifteen times, and I believe there were some hundreds of Pins on the Ground ; but I thought the Pins were dropt from one or other, and I took up some of them, and they were dry, and I took up two or three in a Chain ; and I said, I believed those were the Pins that were shewn at our house. No, no, says his Master, these are not the same ; and he did endeavour to satisfy me that he did vomit these Pins : So I desired he might have a Pot to vomit in, and I had a Pot brought, and made very clean, and I searched his Mouth and found no Pins there ; and I held



held the Pot to his Mouth close, and he often endeavoured to put his Hand to the Pot, and I would not suffer him, for I perceived his Hands often moving to his Pocket. He vomited several times, and there were some Pins scattered on the Ground, but none in the Chamber pot. Says I, these Pins do not come out of his Mouth, but the People were very pressing on me to believe they did.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Who were they?

*Will. Bateman.* They were all Strangers to me. Upon this I told them I believed he had a Slight of Hand to convey them there, and I took hold of his Pocket: He stopt my Hand, and would not let me put my Hand into it. But, after some time, says one, let him, let him search your Pocket. So I did, and took out several Things, and among the rest several Parcels of Pins, and I believe these were they that he convey'd on the Ground.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did you see him take them out of his Pocket?

*Will. Bateman.* No, but I took out several Hundred.

*Juryman.* What sort of Shape were they of?

*Will. Bateman.* They were of a very odd Kind of Shape.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Were they straight, or crooked?

*Will. Bateman.* They were crooked in strange Figures, like them on the Floor.

*Mr. Broderick.* And he made a great Difficulty of letting you meddle with his Pocket?

*Will. Bateman.* Yes.

*Mr. Phipps.* And when you would not let him put his Hand to the Pot, there were none in the Pot, but only on the Ground?

*Will. Bateman.* Yes, Sir.

*Juryman.* Did you see any Pins come out of his Mouth?

*Will. Bateman.* No, Sir.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. What became of the Pins you saw on the Ground; you say you saw abundance, what became of them?

Will. Bateman. They were swept away.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Who swept them away?

Will. Bateman. Some of the Family.

Juryman. I think he says that several of the Pins were taken up dry, were any of the Pins that were on the Ground dry?

Will. Bateman. Yes, and I said, these Pins did not come from him.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. When was this?

Will. Bateman. About a Twelvemonth ago.

Mr. Broderick. Now, my Lord, we will shew your Lordship that he drew up a Narrative for the Press, giving an Account of this Business. Call Rich. Ball (who was sworn) Mr. Ball, pray give an Account what you know of Rich. Hathaway's endeavouring to print a Story of his vomiting of Pins.

Rich. Ball. About a Twelvemonth ago, in December, Richard Hathaway brought a Writing, and withal a Dishful of crooked Pins, and told us those Pins he had vomited, and that he had been afflicted by a Woman in Southwark; and I think he said he had not eat any thing from my Lord Mayor's Day.

Mr. Broderick. What did he desire you to do?

R. Ball. To print his Paper. And after he had told this Story, he said he had been with a Woman in Goodmans-fields. There was a Boy with him; and he desired us to print his Paper. It related the Story of his vomiting of Pins. He said he had taken Quicksilver, and it would not move him; and Madam Goodwin was mentioned several times in the Papers, that she had cured him.

Mr. Conyers. How came it that you did not print his Paper?

R. Ball.

*R. Ball.* My Master stood by, says he, you look very well, I will have nothing to do with it, I believe you are a Cheat. I believe no such thing, says he, and upon that went away. But the next Day there was a Paper printed by some Body; and *Richard Hathaway* comes to us afterwards, and says, you have printed a Paper, though you would not have it of me; but it is not true, says he, I can give a better Account.

*Mr. Broderick.* Then he talk'd very freely to you, though he had not eat in Six Weeks before?

*R. Ball.* Yes, Sir.

*Mr. Broderick.* And he look'd very well?

*R. Ball.* Yes, Sir, and we wondered at it.

*Mr. Conyers.* Call *Mr. Hearne* (who was sworn) *Mr. Hearne*, pray give my Lord, and the Jury, an Account what you know of this Matter.

*Mr. Hearne.* About *September* was Twelve-month, my Sister was fallen upon by this *Hathaway*, and scratched and abused in a barbarous Manner: And about Six Weeks after she was scratched again. After this we went before Justice *Riches*, and Justice *Riches* persuaded them to be quiet, and not to trouble this Woman; and he persuaded her to remove to some other Place. After this there was a Tumult made about her in *Newgate-street*.

*Mr. Conyers.* Were not you present when Doctor *Martin* was with the Defendant?

*Mr. Hearne.* Yes, Sir.

*Mr. Conyers.* Then give an Account of that.

*Mr. Hearne.* I went to Doctor *Martin*, and Doctor *Martin* told me that he would try a Stratagem (to see whether he was bewitched) by making him scratch another Woman. I told him, I was afraid we should be betray'd. Says he, let me alone to manage it; so I said no more. Says he, do you go and fetch *Sarah Morduck* to me, and I will go before. So I came with my Sister to *Welling's*

House, where Doctor *Martin* was, and there was a House full of People: And then he ordered the Door to be shut. And then Doctor *Martin* left me at the Bed-side, and he got a Woman that was willing to be scratched. She refused at first, but afterwards consented. And then Doctor *Martin* brought them into the Room where *Hathaway* was, and he asked him if he did believe that scratching of *Sarah Morduck* would do him any Good, if he did, he should hold up his Hand; and he held up both Hands. Says he then to *Sarah Morduck*, are you willing to be scratched? Yes, her Heart's Blood to do him Good. Then give me your Hand, says he; but instead of hers he took Mrs. *Johnson*'s Hand, and gave it into *Hathaway*'s Hand. And *Hathaway* took her by the Wrist, and felt her several times: Then says Doctor *Martin*, if you will scratch her, scratch her, I cannot wait on you always. Then he fell to work, and Doctor *Martin* said, he will open his Eyes presently, there is Blood enough; and he presently opens his Eyes, and catches *Sarah Morduck* by the Apron, and holds her as fast as he could; and the Woman that was scratched was gone into the other Room; with all the Strength I had, I could hardly loosen his Hands from *Sarah Morduck*. Now, says Doctor *Martin*, you are mistaken, this is not the Woman you scratched. And then his Countenance changed, and he looked like a Fool, he was so surprized. Then says Doctor *Martin*, where is the Woman that he scratched; and I fetched *Johnson* out of the other Room. and shewed him her Arm, that she was the Woman he had scratched. Says Doctor *Martin*, I see what you are, go and mind your Business, or to that Effect; and then we went away. This was about Twelve or One o'Clock, the 11th of *February*. And when we were gone, the same Day, as soon as it was dark, they got half a Dozen  
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lusty Fellows to go to *Sarah Morduck's* House, and there they abused her.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How do you know that, did you see it?

*Mr. Hearne.* My Lord, I will tell you presently. When she had had this Mischief she sent for me; and when I came, her Shift on her Back was as wet as Muck. She sent for me, because she had none to assist her but me, and I found her that Night in that Pickle. They said, as soon as we were gone, the Fellow was bad again, and they have put this Trick upon us; but we will have the right Witch to scratch her.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Who was at the House that Night that you say she was in an ill Condition?

*Mr. Hearne.* There were several at the House then, *Mrs. Sarah Hays* the Landlady was there, and others.

*L. C. J. Holt.* You say they were in a Hubbub, and would have the right Woman scratched: Who was it that would have it so?

*Mr. Hearne.* I heard so. But when I came to her, I found her in a lamentable Condition. Then I went to Justice *Riche's*, and desired his Warrant to take some of them, and he granted it, and I took up one *Osburn*; and when I came with him to Justice *Riche's*, we had no body to swear that she was lame in Bed, and so he was discharged; and Justice *Riche* said, if there be no other to prove it on the Trial, you will spend a great deal of Money to no Purpose, and therefore he let him go. So she was removed to *Paul's Wharfe*, but a Company of Fellows followed her thither.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How do you prove that?

*Mr. Hearne.* I heard of it, and I desired the Landlord to send for a Constable; he did so, and when we came there all the People made their Escape, except *Hathaway* and another Person. So then she

was carried before Sir *Thomas Lane*; and they telling him that he had vomited Pins, and other Things, Sir *Thomas* was persuaded to believe it. I told him these Fellows had disturbed this Woman's Peace, and very much abused her. Sir *Thomas* said, Will you not let me know who this Man is?

L. C. J. *Holt*. What Man do you mean?

Mr. *Hearne*. *John*; I begg'd, pray let me know this Fellow's Name: Says he, it is no matter, there was Provocation enough. And then, when we were talking of the Pins, Doctor *Hamilton* look'd in *Hathaway's* Mouth, and found his Mouth very well; and he gave him Beer, and he, when he had taken it, struggled with all his Might to keep it out; then he cried out; let her be scratched, said Sir *Thomas*. Doctor *Hamilton* said, forbear a little, let us see the Effect of this Beer, and so they forbore a little longer. Then they talked again of the Pins, and Doctor *Hamilton* would have her scratched again; so he spake to the Woman about it, but she would not consent; for she said she had been abused, and would not be scratched, unless they would secure her for the future. But Sir *Thomas* would have her scratched, and so she was; and then when she was scratched, and he had drawn her Blood, the Fellow bristled about like a Cock-sparrow: And then they call'd for Bread and Cheese, and so he, that before pretended he could not swallow any thing, show'd like an Antick to the People, for he was very greedy. And when he had eaten that, he called for more; and *Welling* said, pray let him not have it, it will do him hurt, because he has not eat so long. Then Sir *Thomas Lane* ordered her to be stripped, and she was stripped above Stairs, and then he would commit her to Prison.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Why? Did any body say she had any thing extraordinary about her?

Mr.

Mr. *Hearne*. No; Doctor *Hamilton* said she had nothing about her; I offered a Hundred Pound Security for her, and Sir *Thomas Lane* would not take it. But when Doctor *Martin* had been with him at Night, I bailed her out.

Mr. Baron *Hatsell*. Was this *Hathaway* dumb when he was at Sir *Thomas Lane's*?

Mr. *Hearne*. He spoke before, and when Sir *Thomas Lane* bound her over to the *Old-Bailey*, and all that time he was as well as could be.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Was you at the Affizes at *Guildford*?

Mr. *Hearne*. Yes, and gave Testimony for her there.

Mr. *Conyers*. My Lord, we have a great many others that were present with Doctor *Martin*; but we have proved that Matter sufficiently. Now we will shew how he behaved himself at Mr. *Kensley's*. Call Mr. *Kensley* (who appeared and was sworn). Mr. *Kensley*, Do you know *Richard Hathaway*?

Mr. *Kensley*. Yes.

Mr. *Conyers*. Was he not committed to your Care?

Mr. *Kensley*. Yes.

Mr. *Conyers*. When was it?

Mr. *Kensley*. In *November* last.

Mr. *Conyers*. Now, pray give my Lord and the Jury an Account of what you know of his Fastings.

Mr. *Kensley*. He was brought to my House the First of *November* last about Noon. I went to see him at the *King's-Bench*, where, about Nine in the Morning, I found him in Bed. The Servants in the Prison told me his Tongue was swelled. At my Request he put out his Tongue, which I found in a very good State and Colour, free from any Induration or Contraction. I observed the Glands under the Tongue, also his Throat, so far as I could see, free from any preternatural Accident or Impedi-

ment. He was brought to my House about Twelve the same Day. I kept him in the Room where we dined, and offered him Meat and Drink several times, which he refused. About Eight at Night we put him to Bed, and took his Clothes out of his Chamber. The next Morn'g we offered him Meat again, and he refused to eat; and we brought him his Clothes, and he was surly and would not rise. At Night I offered him a Glas of Cordial, which he also refused. At the same time we found his Rug wet, which we discovered to be his Urine dropping through the Tester of the Bed, he having hid his Urine upon it in the Cover of a large Box, through which it drained. And I threatned to discover him, and said, pray discover who set you to work in this Matter; I look on you as a poor innocent Fellow, and that you are set on by others that have more Wit; but he would discover nothing. The next Morning I forced him to rise, and I found him resolute in his Humour of Fasting; I found Persuasions and Promises of a Pardon could not prevail, nor Threatnings that I would starve him if he would not confess; so I feigned a Quarrel with my Maid, and railed at her in his Presence, saying, she was as very a Hypocrite as *Richard Hathaway*, and that I would be troubled no more with her. And I ordered her, so soon as my Back was turned, to rail against me as bad as she could, and charge him not to take any thing from me or my Brother, for she alone would take Care to feed him. After this we took him up every Day, and contrived Places and Holes whereby we discovered him to eat and drink heartily, sometimes three times a Day, he thinking no body was Witness to it but the Servant. Particularly one Day I had Fish and Oysters for my Dinner, and I ordered the Maid to give him some, and to give him strong Beer and Brandy too, and he eat and drank freely. And after-



afterwards he brought up his Dinner, and I coming in, told him I was glad the Witch was found out at my House; and I told him To-morrow I would find out the Pins and Needles. He took the Poker, and raked the Ashes over it, that it might not be seen what he had vomited.

*L. C. J. Holt.* But did he know that you saw him eat?

*Mr. Kensley.* No, my Lord. The next Day I offered him something to eat, to see if I could make him speak; but he pretended to be so faint that he could not get off his Chair, this was after he had eat several Days. And he danced and played on the Tongs.

*L. C. J. Holt.* But you did not see him drink?

*Mr. Kensley.* Yes, my Lord.

*L. C. J. Holt.* But did he know you saw him?

*Mr. Kensley.* He thought no body saw him but the Maid, but I saw him drink.

*Mr. Broderick.* How did you see him?

*Mr. Kensley.* I hid myself in a dark Place in my own Buttery, and did see him eat and drink several times. I did not see him eat every Day. But the Eighth Day he endeavoured to make his Escape. My Brother and my Sons went into his Chamber with his Clothes, and *Hathaway* having dressed himself, watched his Opportunity, and jump't out of the Room, and bolted them in. But they staying so long, I sent the Maid up, and she met him stealing down Stairs, and then he went back again and let them out. On *Monday* the Tenth I gave him his Clothes, and I being alone, he had not Patience to dress himself, but immediately seized me; but struggling with him, he pretended Feebleness, and fell on the Bed.

*Mr. Conyers.* Can you give Account of any thing afterwards?

*Mr. Kensley.* Yes.

*Mr.*

Mr. *Conyers*. What Discourse had you with him then ?

Mr. *Kensley*. I will tell you. He was very furly. That was the first Day he spoke. I came to him, and told him he was a Fool, that his Friends were in Custody, and had not been true to him, but had discovered the whole Matter ; and advised him to make a Discovery himself, and if he would, I would go with him to my Lord Chief Justice. Upon that he cried passionately, and said he would tell the Lord Chief Justice the whole Truth. But my Lord not being at his Chamber, he in about an Hour recanted, and said he was bewitched. When he cried, he asked if his Mother was safe.

Mr. *Conyers*. Did he at any time tell you how long he had fasted ?

Mr. *Kensley*. Yes. He made Signs that he had fasted several times when we had seen him eat, and he took his Clothes, and wrapt them over him. And I said to him, how long hast thou fasted before you came to my House ? He made Signs that he had fasted Ten Weeks.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did he pretend to be dumb ?

Mr. *Kensley*. Yes. And I asked him how long he had fasted at my House ? and he pointed Two more.

Mr. *Conyers*. You say he made Signs that he had fasted Ten Weeks before he came to your House, and Two Weeks while he was there. Now, how often did you see him eat at your House after the Two first Days ?

Mr. *Kensley*. I saw him eat several times at Noon and Night. And after I had seen him eat, I would have persuaded him to eat, and he made Signs still as if he could not eat, and shook his Head.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How did you know what he meant by shaking his Head ?

*L. C. J. Holt.* How did you know what he meant by his counting? How did you know that he meant Weeks?

*Mr. Kenfey.* He counted upon his Fingers, my Lord. I asked him how many Weeks he had fasted before he came to my House, and he counted Ten Fingers; and how long he had fasted at my House, and he counted Two more. And I asked him whether he had fasted Twelve Weeks then, and he made Signs of Twelve.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* You say he was dumb, and yet could hear.

*Mr. Kenfey.* Yes.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How is that likely, that he should hear, and yet was dumb?

*L. C. J. Holt.* Cannot a Man hear, though he be dumb?

*Mr. Conyers.* Call *Elizabeth Baker*; where is she? (she was sworn) Were you a Servant to *Mr. Kenfey* when this Man was at his House?

*Eliz. Baker.* Yes, I was.

*Mr. Conyers.* Then pray tell my Lord, and the Jury, what you know of him.

*Eliz. Baker.* *Richard Hathaway* came to my Master's House about Twelve o'Clock on *Saturday*. When we went to Dinner at One o'Clock, my Master offered him Meat and Broth, and he refused it; he was asked to eat several times, but still refused it. They asked him again at Night, and he shook his Head, and would not eat. And when he went to Bed, we took his Clothes, and lock'd him in. And the next Day he refused to rise, and at Noon they went to see if he would eat any thing, and offered him a Glas of Sack, and he refused it. And on *Monday* Morning he was asked to rise again, and he would not; but my Master would have him rise, and would have him come down and sit by the  
Fire;

Fire; and when he was come down, asked him to eat, but he would not. And at last he look'd in his Mouth, and said he saw nothing but that he might eat and drink if he would. And my Master said to me, when I am with him I will call you up, and take an Occasion to fall out with you; and when I am gone do you rail at me, and tell him he should take nothing of me or my Brother. And so I did; I said my Master called me Presbyterian Jade but I said I did not know what Religion he was of; and that he was not more willing to have me go, than I was to be gone. And I told him he should take nothing of my Master or his Brother, I would look after him while I staid. So I went out of the Room, and fetched a Glass of Brandy, and gave it him. But there was a Child with me, and he refused to drink, with a Sign, pointing to the Child; so I said I would hide the Child, and I stood between him and the Child; and then he drank it. And the same Day I gave him some Pudding and small Beer; and at Night I carried him a Pint of Ale and a Toast, but found he had not eat the Pudding; I saw him eat the Toast and drink the Ale; but I did not see him eat the Pudding, tho' I suppose he eat it afterwards, for I saw it no more.

*Juryman.* In what Manner did you convey this Provision to him?

*Eliz. Baker.* My Master gave me the Key, and I went in and stay'd while he eat and drank. and I made him believe I had got the Key by Stealth. And I gave him a Glass of Brandy on *Monday* Night, and he drank it. And the next Day he eat and drank, he drank some Broth, and eat boiled Mutton at Noon; and at Night he eat a Chop of Mutton, Bread and Cheese, and drank Beer and Brandy. On *Wednesday* we had a Shoulder of Mutton roasted, and after they had dined I gave him a Plate of Meat, and he eat it in the Kitchen with me, and drank freely.



freely. And so he did every Day after while he was at our House.

Mr. *Conyers*. Did any ever see him eat besides yourself?

*Eliz. Baker*. Yes. That Day we had Fish, he was in the Kitchen, and being there he went and washed his Hands, and I gave him a Plate of Fish, and set it by him; and he took it, and eat it. And I gave him a Bottle of Stout, and told him it was my Birth-day, and he must drink my Health; and after he had drunk it, he pointed to his Forehead, signifying it was got into his Head; and about two Hours after he was very merry, and danced about, and took the Tongs and played upon them. But after that he was mighty sick, and vomited sadly. And says my Master's Brother we shall see the Pins and Needles now. And to hide it he falls a pulling the Fire over it.

Mr. *Conyers*. Did any of the Neighbours see him eat?

*Eliz. Baker*. The Eleventh Day of the same Month we had a Shoulder of Veal for Dinner, and after Dinner my Master bid me set some by for him, and he would have some Gentlemen to see him eat. They were accordingly hid in the Buttery and Coal-hole, and *Richard Hathaway* was brought down, and he took his Bread and Meat, and eat heartily, and drank with it.

Mr. *Raymond*. Who were those Gentlemen that saw him eat?

*Eliz. Baker*. Mr. *Collet*, Mr. *Norbery*, Mr. *Page*, and Mr. *Stanton*.

Mr. *Conyers*. These Persons are here.

Mr. *Serj. Jenner*. My Lord, all this is of what was done after the Trial, this Evidence ought not to be given; the Record bears Date the First Day of the Term, and all this is said to be done in *November*, it is all after the Record.

*L. C. J. Holt.* It is to prove the Impossure committed before now; what *Mr. Kensey* says of his pretending to fast twelve Weeks, tho' Two or more be not within the Time of the Information, I hope they may give it as Evidence subsequent to prove what was done before.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* But I oppose all this of eating at their House.

*L. C. J. Holt.* It is an Evidence of his cheating since that Time, and that out of the Information; but it is an Evidence also to prove that he pretended Fasting before was a meer Deceit; for he then pretended to have fasted ten Weeks before he came thither, and after pretends to continue fasting in the same Manner; if that be proved to be a Fraud, it is strongly to be inferred that his pretended Fasting before was so too.

*M. Serj. Jenner.* But then they may not give Evidence in Matter after.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Matter afterwards that proves a Thing done before: For if a Confession be made subsequent to an Indictment for a Crime, shall not that Confession after be brought as Evidence of the Thing done before? Sure it may.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* And will that prove what was done before?

*L. C. J. Holt.* It is certainly so. The Thing is whether I can give in Evidence any thing after to prove what was done before; if he pretends to fast twelve Weeks, ten Weeks before he came there, and two Weeks after; he did not fast but only pretended it: Whether what he did after be not Evidence of what he did before? Sure it is. For he that cannot hold out fasting two Weeks, but was glad to eat, tho' he pretended to fast, may strongly be presumed to have eaten during the ten Weeks, tho' then he pretended to fast.

*Mr.*

*Mr. Conyers.* Call *Mr. Stanton*, (who appeared) was you at *Mr. Kensley's* House to see *Richard Hathaway* eat?

*Mr. Stanton.* Yes, *Mr. Kensley* came to me the Eleventh of *November*, and desired me to come to his House, to see whether he eat or drank or not; and I went, and was put into a dark Place, and I saw the Victuals before he was brought, there was five Slices of Meat, and Bread and Beer. And he was brought where it was, and he look'd about him earnestly to see if any one saw him, and then he fell to, and eat as heartily as any Man could. And hearing a Noise whilst he was eating, he run away with it and set it on the Dresser. The Maid said there is no body coming, and then he went to it again, and eat it up, and drank the Drink, and fate down by the Fire. And afterwards we went to him, and carried a Bottle of Drink with us, and drank to him; but he made Signs that he could not drink, and show'd us that his Belly clung to his Back, which we thought was very strange.

*Mr. Conyers.* Call *Matthew Shipps* and ——— *Baxter*. (They did not appear.) *Jo. Hunt*, (he was sworn). My Lord, we call this Man to give you an Account of the strange Noises that they pretended were heard in *Mr. Welling's* House, and we will make it appear how that Noise came. *Mr. Hunt*, pray give an Account what you know in this Matter.

*Jo. Hunt.* My Lord, an Acquaintance of mine, one *Kelpin*, told me that he had watched with *Rich. Hathaway* one Night, and the next Day he came to me, and told me he fell asleep, and had not watched him as he ought, and desired me to set up with him, and to observe him as narrowly as I could, and see if I could find any Deceit in him. Accordingly I did so, and when I came into the Room I fate

fate down on the Bed-side. There were two Gentlemen in the Room, Mr. *Pocock* and Mr. *Butler*, and *Thomas Welling*. He lay as if he were almost dead. In a little time his Master, *Thomas Welling*, brought in some Pins in a Coffee-dish, and said he had brought them up that Day, and that he believed he would bring up more. And after this seeing of the Pins, I went to Mr. *Pocock*, and said, I did imagine the Pins might lie in his Mouth rather than in his Stomach, and therefore it was very proper to have his Mouth searched. And Mr. *Pocock* replied, who will venture to do it? And I said, if they would wash the Fire-poker clean, and put it into his Mouth, to prevent his biting my Finger, I would do it. Immediately upon this *Hathaway* raised himself, and began to make a Reaching as tho' he would vomit; and then *Welling* and his Wife said, now he is going to bring up Pins. Thereupon I kneeled down by the Bed side, with a Candle in my Hand, to observe his Motions; and after he had strained some time he made a Motion with his Tongue at each Side of his Mouth, but I could not perceive any thing come up his Throat, tho' his Mouth was wide open; and by and by he drew up his Mouth, and turned out two or three bright Pins, and presently after two more, which I catch'd in my Hands and shew'd them to the Company, saying, they are bright and new; and his Master said he believed they came out of some Chandler's Shop. Afterwards *Hathaway* lay down very quiet, and so continued for some time. And *Welling's* Wife coming into the Room, ask'd why the Charms were not put on. I replied, I have been told the Charms have been always taken off from him by the Witch, but was resolved to watch so narrowly that Night, that they should not be taken from him. Then *Welling* and his Wife offering to put on the Charms,

*Hathaway*



*Hathaway* made a Struggling as tho' he was unwilling to have them on; and *Welling* said, you have always found Benefit by it, why will you not? They are ordered by Mr *Butler*.

*L. C. J. Holt*. What were those Charms?

*Jo. Hunt*. Three little things in black Bags, I did not know what they were. And they asked him whether he was willing they should be put on, if he was he should hold up his Hand, but he was unwilling. But I said I was minded to have them put on, so he lay still, and Mrs. *Welling* or some other Woman sew'd them to the Bosom of his Shirt. After the Charms were put on, I watched to see what would become of them; and perceiving *Hathaway* to make several Motions with his Hands about them, I struck his Hands, I bid him either keep his Arms strait in the Bed, or else put them out of the Bed, for that the Charms should not be taken off that Night. Then I and the Company sitting still about the Bed, *Welling* said, hearken, you will not believe, hear what a Noise there is, the like is heard here almost every Night. Whereupon all were silent; at last I heard a small scratching or rubbing at the Bed's-feet; and putting my Head close to the Bed's-feet listening, I heard something screek, and perceiving the Bed cloathes stir, I took hold of the Fellow's Foot, and said, I have caught the Witch that made the Noise. I thought it had been Mice at first, but seeing the Clothes move I catch'd his Foot. Thereupon *Hathaway* rose up, and in a Passion made a Motion towards me with both his Hands; but I lifting up his Foot, he fell back upon his Pillow, and lay still, and the Noise ceased; and about Five o'Clock in the Morning I left him, and the Charms upon him.

*Mr. Conyers*. Call *Elizabeth Brand* (who appeared). Pray give an Account what you know of any Collection of Money for *Richard Hathaway*.

*Eliz.*

*Eliz. Brand.* There was between Six and Seven Pounds gathered.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How was it gathered?

*Eliz. Brand.* We went about to get Money for him to bear his Charges to *Guildford*, and we got between Six and Seven Pounds.

*Mr. Broderick.* Do you know of any other Sums that were gathered for him?

*Eliz. Brand.* Yes, but I know not how much.

*Mr. Conyers.* Who employed you to do this?

*Eliz. Brand.* A great many of the Neighbours.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Who was the Money paid to?

*Eliz. Brand.* To *Mrs. Welling*.

*Mr. Conyers.* Do you know any thing of his scratching *Sarah Morduck*?

*Eliz. Brand.* I over-persuaded her to let the Fellow scratch her.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did she consent to it?

*Eliz. Brand.* Yes, my Lord; I call'd her, and said to her, let me persuade you to let this Fellow scratch you; and she bid me go and fetch him. And he came, and sits him down on a low Seat. Says she, will you engage he shall not scratch my Eyes out? At last he scratches, and there came no Blood; and he scratches again, and then the Blood came, and he cry'd, O my Eyes! O my Eyes! And I said, now the Blood comes, and he stared. Says I to him, can you see me? Yes, says he, as well as ever I could.

*Mr. Conyers.* *Mr. Hearne*, you was at *Guildford* Affizes, how long did this Fellow pretend he had fasted?

*Mr. Hearne.* I cannot be positive what he said at the Trial as to that; but they said he had fasted six Weeks before *Doctor Martin* tried the Experiment with him.

*Mr. Conyers.* Call *Matt. Shipps* (he was sworn). Was *Richard Hathaway* under your Custody?

*Matt.*

*Matt. Shipps.* Yes. He was brought from *Guildford* Assizes upon the 31st of *July* last, he came Home at Eleven o'Clock at Night, and they told me that he was come a Prisoner from *Guildford* to the *Marshalsea*, where he continued four Days, and he was ordered to lie with me; and every Night that he lay there he slept very well to my thinking; and several times I asked him how he did, he answer'd he was pretty well; and every Day while he was there he eat and drank with me, as the rest of the Servants of the House did, and was not in all that Time in any Fit as I could perceive, but went very well out of the Prison.

*L. C. J. Holt.* What did he say at the Assizes about his Fasting?

*Matt. Shipps.* I was not at the Assizes.

*Mr. Conyers.* Then we must leave it here.

*Mr. Broderick.* My Lord, we have the Woman here that they pretended was the Witch, but it may be they may think it not proper, and therefore we shall let her alone.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* My Lord, and you Gentlemen of the Jury, I am Council for the Defendant *Richard Hathaway*, who is indicted for a Cheat and Impostor; and it is for pretending himself to be bewitched, and that he has used indirect Arts and Means to make People believe he was so bewitched, and that this *Sarah Morduck* was the Person that had bewitched him; and that this was contrived by him in order to bring Mischief and Damage on this *Sarah Morduck*, and to the evil Example of the Queen's Subjects. You have heard the Evidence that has been given, and therefore I shall not repeat it, but only observe some good Things to you. The Doctor has taken a great deal of Pains in this Cause, but that which he does tell you by Hearsay, what other Persons told him, is not such Evidence

as you are to take any Notice of, that is, what *Johnson* told him, and likewise what other Persons told him concerning this Man : for what they have said to him of this Man, tho' it may be true, is not to come under your Consideration. There are several others that have given Evidence of what other Persons have said, and they have given it as their Opinions that what this Man did was the Cause of their Doings ; of which you are to take no Notice. But, my Lord that which seems to bear most hard upon us is, that because the Doctor, and several others, have been abused, both before and after the Trial, for what they endeavoured to do, therefore they would intinate as if my Client had a Hand in it. But if a Man be doing any thing, and another takes the Advantage of it to do another a Mischief, I hope that Mischief shall not be laid to his Charge. My Lord, there is one Man that has given a great deal of Evidence as to his vomiting of Pins, and says that he was by, and he swept the Ground, and after he had vomited there were Pins upon the Ground ; and when he had a Chamber-pot to vomit in, he could not find any Pins there, but there were some upon the Ground again. So likewise for his Fasting, you have had Evidence to prove that a Cheat. And this seems to affect him most ; that all this Pretence to be bewitched, and vomiting of Pins, and fasting, was a Cheat. This is the Matter that they accuse him of. Of which, if he be really guilty, I come not here to defend him ; but I am to defend him as far as Witness will do. And now, my Lord, if my Brief be true, we shall satisfy you that my Client was in a very lamentable Condition, such as one would think no Man could be in and live ; and I will lead you by these Steps. When he was thus disabled, could neither speak, nor take Sustenance ; his Master,

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after he had served him two Years, and he had lived very civilly, and behaved himself well in his Master's Service, till he fell thus ill ; then he was so ill, that after the Master had spent a great deal of Money with Doctors and Apothecaries, he could get no Cure for him ; then he got him into the Hospital, and there he continued a long Time ; and at last they gave it in that he was incurable, and they turned him out. But his Master made Interest, and got him in again, and he continued some time there again ; and there it was that he was first thought to be bewitched : For they had him twice, and could do no Good with him, and the Tenders told him he must lie under some evil Tongue ; and thereupon he was turned out as incurable, and with that Instruction that it was an incurable Disease. So he came Home again, and his Master and Mistress were acquainted with it ; and they considered what Person it should be that should have an evil Design against him. And at last they recollected that his Master had taken a Room over the Head of this *Sarah Morduck*, and she had gone to the Shop often, and had given them very ill Words, and she should be even with him one time or other ; and therefore they concluded this Woman was the Person. Upon this there were many Things contrived, what Cause they should take to do him Good, and there was one thing concluded upon, in order to his Ease, (which I think none should advise) that is, the Business of Scratching. But this Woman, when she was accused by them of bewitching him, she offered herself to be scratched, and she was scratched, and from thence this Man found Ease. But afterwards he fell ill again, and he went into *London*, and was examined at *Sir Thomas Lane's* ; and, upon Examination, they thought that this Man did lie under such an Affliction. I cannot say that it is an irre-

ligious Thing to say there are Witches in the World; but this Man lay under such a Distemper, that no Doctor could know what to do with it. And they could not imagine who should do it but this Woman, and she was there scratched by him; and he did find Relief by it. My Lord, this being the Matter of Fact, we shall call very substantial Witnesses to prove it. As to his Fasting, we shall prove that he was put under the Care of very substantial Persons, and that he did not eat or drink for three Weeks or a Month; so that it will appear we had no Contrivance in the World, but only would get Ease if we could. We have Twenty Witnesses to call.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Let them all be call'd. Call as many as you will.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Call *Anne Eaton* (she appeared). Do you know *Richard Hathaway*?

*Anne Eaton*. Yes, Sir.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How long have you known him?

*Anne Eaton*. Ever since he came to his Master.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How long is that?

*Anne Eaton*. About Five or Six Years.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Do you know what Condition he was in two Years ago?

*Anne Eaton*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Then pray give my Lord and the Jury an Account of it.

*Anne Eaton*. I watched with him several Nights.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Where did you watch with him?

*Anne Eaton*. At his Master's House.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. In what Condition was he then?

*Anne Eaton*. He was in a very bad Condition; he was dumb and blind, and his Senses were gone, and he seemed as if he were dead; and when his  
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Senses have come to him, he has burned like a Flame of Fire.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How long did you watch with him ?

*Anne Eaton*. About Nine Weeks.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did he fast all that Time ?

*Anne Eaton*. Yes, my Lord.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Might he not eat in that Time, and you not see him ?

*Anne Eaton*. I was with him constantly at Nights, but not in the Day ; I have been with him four or five Days and Nights together, and did not see him eat or drink.

L. C. J. *Holt*. What Time was this that you watched with him ?

*Anne Eaton*. From the Time that he came from Madam *Davenport's*, till your Lordship confined him.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Who put him to Madam *Davenport's* ?

*Anne Eaton*. I had nothing to do with that.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Can you not tell what Month that was in ?

*Anne Eaton*. I can't tell that.

Mr. *Raymond*. Did you observe him all that Time ?

*Anne Eaton*. When I went out, I left one always in my Room.

L. C. J. *Holt*. You say you were with him four or five Days and Nights together.

*Anne Eaton*. Yes, my Lord.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Were you with him all Night, and all Day ?

*Anne Eaton*. My Lord, some Days I had Occasion to go out, but then I left some Neighbours with him.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Call *Gibson* (who appeared). Do you know this Man, *Richard Hathaway* ?

*Gibson.* I have seen him in a deplorable Condition.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* When was this that you saw him?

*Gibson.* About two Years ago. His Master asked me to go and see him, and when I came up I saw him foaming at Mouth, I thought he would not live till Morning. The next Day his Master desired me to watch with him at Night, and I did, and he was so bad that I thought he would not live till Morning. Afterwards I saw him again, and he was blind and dumb, as it appeared to me. And he had a strange Motion; he threw himself forward, and afterwards threw himself backward as if his Head lay in the Reins of his Back; and I said to this Woman then, I believe he has broke his Back. I believe this was after he came from Madam *Davenport's*, about the Time that he appeared at the Bar at *Westminster*.

*L. C. J. Holt.* The first Time that you speak of, when you say he was blind and dumb, you say that was two Years ago; was he blind and dumb when you saw him the second Time?

*Gibson.* Yes, the second Time I saw him he was blind and dumb. I saw him in a deplorable Condition three Times.

*Juryman.* We desire to know the Circumstances of his Condition.

*L. C. J. Holt.* The Jury desire to be satisfied of the Circumstances of his Condition. You say you saw him two Years ago; and he was then in a deplorable Condition, and you saw him twice after; the Jury would have you describe the Circumstances of it as plain as you can.

*Gibson.* His Master desired me to go to him, and I was willing to oblige him; and when I came to him he was both blind and dumb.



**L. C. J. Holt.** How long was this after you saw him the first Time ?

**Gibson.** About half a Year after.

**L. C. J. Holt.** Are you a Neighbour ?

**Gibson.** Yes, my Lord.

**L. C. J. Holt.** You say you saw him two Years ago, and you say he then foamed at Mouth and Nostrils ; was he blind and dumb then ?

**Gibson.** No, my Lord ; but he was when I saw him the second Time.

**L. C. J. Holt.** When did you see him after ?

**Gibson.** It was about a Twelvemonth after that I saw him.

**L. C. J. Holt.** And not before ?

**Gibson.** He was seven Weeks in the Hospital.

**Mr. Broderick.** Then you did not see him in the Hospital ?

**Gibson.** I did, but he went almost double.

**Mr. Broderick.** Did you hear any thing of Mrs. Morduck then ?

**Gibson.** No, Sir.

**L. C. J. Holt.** What Trade are you ?

**Gibson.** I am a Glazier.

**Mr. Conyers.** Have you no other Trade ?

**Gibson.** Sometimes I work at the *Custom-house*. One Sunday we went to hear *Doctor Pead*, and *Richard Hathaway* went with us. And when we were gone out of Door he could not speak ; and when we came upon the Bridge, his Face was drawn a-wry so strangely that it astonished me ; he staggered the Length of this Table, and his Face was drawn back again, and he fetch'd a Reel ; but in a Quarter of an Hour he spoke, and his Speech continued till he came to *Grace-church-street*, and there we met *Mr. Fox* ; and so he continued till we came to *Bishop's-gate* : But coming to *Houndsditch*, he made Motions that his Speech was gone again.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did you hear him speak at *Westminster*?

*Gibson*. No, my Lord.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Call *Flummery* (who appeared). Do you know this Man?

*Flummery*. Yes, I am a Neighbour.

L. C. J. *Holt*. What is thy Name?

*Flummery*. *Flummery*. After *Guildford* Affizes I went to see him, and he was in a lamentable Condition; he was like a Stock or Stone, blind and dumb, I went to see him —

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did you ever see him before?

*Flummery*. I saw him several Times, but took no Notice of it; but then his Eyes stood wide open.

L. C. J. *Holt*. And yet you say he was blind, how could that be?

*Flummery*. My Lord, I will tell you how. I tried him, I wagged the Hair of his Eye-lids, and put the Candle to his Eyes, and he took no Notice of it.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How could you know that he did not see:

*Flummery*. I tried him.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How did you try him?

*Flummery*. I tried them with my Fingers, and his Eyes would not wag.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did he not look then as he looks now?

*Flummery*. No.

Mr. *Broderick*. Did you speak to him then?

*Flummery*. Yes, but I could not make him hear nor answer me.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Could he speak then?

*Flummery*. No, may it please your Lordship.

*Anne Pearse* sworn.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. *Anne Pearse*, pray tell my Lord what you know of this *Richard Hathaway*.

*Anne Pearse.* I belong to the Hospital. When he came into the Hospital he was very bad.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Was he blind and dumb when he came in?

*Anne Pearse.* After he was brought in, he was put to Bed, and he was taken with a Fit, and I was call'd to him, and I came to him, and he did not stir much, and turn'd up his Eyes. And afterwards one of his Master's Journeymen came to him, and he raised him out of his Bed; and one came to me, and said, Sister, he is come to the Fire, but he is very bad still. Says I, what did you raise him out of his Bed for? He went upon his Ancles almost, he went very weakly, and continued so for some time.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How long was he in the Hospital?

*Anne Pearse.* About five Months.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Was he out, and came in again?

*Anne Pearse.* Yes, he was. He complain'd he could not go to stool and the Doctor gave him Quick-silver, and when it came from him, I heard the Apothecary made him take it again, and swallow it again.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* When he came in the second Time, was you there then?

*Anne Pearse.* Yes.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How long was he there the second Time?

*Anne Pearse.* How long was he there the second Time; I cannot tell.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Can you tell when he was put in the second Time?

*Anne Pearse.* No.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* What was your Opinion of him?

*Anne Pearse.* I apprehended him to be in a very strange Condition, he lay seven or eight Days, and did not eat or drink; he had taken Quicksilver, and it did not come from him, and the Doctor wonder'd it should lie so long in his Body.

*Mr. Broderick.* Did the Doctor or you apprehend any thing of Witchcraft in the Case?

*Anne Pearse.* No, Sir. But at this Time his Eyes were set in his Head.

*Mr. Broderick.* When he was recovered out of those Fits, did he pretend that he was bewitched?

*Anne Pearse.* No.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did you never hear him complain that he was bewitched?

*Anne Pearse.* No, my Lord, I did not hear of that.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Call *Jo. Smith* (who appeared). *Mr. Smith*, do you know this Person, *Richard Hathaway*?

*Mr. Smith.* Yes, Sir.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How long have you known him?

*Mr. Smith.* About five or six Years.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How far do you live from him?

*Mr. Smith.* I believe about two Stones Throw.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Were you well acquainted with his Condition two Years ago?

*Mr. Smith.* Yes, I have done Business for the Family several Years. About five Years ago I found him much afflicted with Convulsion Fits at his coming to his Master.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How was he about two Years ago?

*Mr. Smith.* He was in a very strange Condition, and I advised his Master to get rid of him, and to get him into the Hospital.

Mr.



Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What did he ail?

Mr. *Smith*. He lay in a very strange Condition.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How did he lie?

Mr. *Smith*. He lay struggling and striving often, and sometimes like a Man that was dead; and once when he lay in that Condition I laid Cupping-glasses to him, and that enliven'd him.

L. C. J. *Holt*. What did you imagine ailed him? Did you think he counterfeited or not?

Mr. *Smith*. Indeed, my Lord, I can't tell that.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Why did you advise his Master to put him into the Hospital?

Mr. *Smith*. I can't tell.

Mr. *Phipps*. You say you have known him five Years, and that he has been troubled with Fits, did he ever talk of being bewitched, till within this two Years?

Mr. *Smith*. No, not till within this two Years.

Mr. Bar. *Hatsell*. When he lay seemingly dead, you do not know whether he counterfeited or no.

Mr. *Smith*. No, my Lord.

Mr. Bar. *Hatsell*. Do you think a Man can be in such a Condition as he seem'd to be, and yet only counterfeit?

Mr. *Smith*. Indeed, my Lord, I know not; I examined him whether he was subject to those Fits formerly, and he told me he was very much troubled with them in the Country.

L. C. J. *Holt*. You do not answer the Question. Cannot a Man counterfeit in such a Case? What do you think of that?

Mr. *Smith*. Without doubt it may be counterfeited.

L. C. J. *Holt*. You say, when he was in those Fits, you put Cupping-glasses to him, and it enliven'd him; now, if he were in a real Convulsion, do you think it would have enliven'd him?

Mr. *Smith*. Sometimes it may be so.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Call *Eliz. Willoughby* (she appeared). Mrs. *Willoughby*, pray give my Lord an Account whether you know *Richard Hathaway*, and what you know of him.

*Eliz. Willoughby*. Sir, I have seen him since the Affizes at *Guildford*.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you never see him before?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Then give an Account of what Condition you have seen him in.

*Eliz. Willoughby*. I have seen him when the Breath came out of his Mouth like the Barking of a Dog. I had a Child that was troubled with Fits, and I was above Stairs, and I heard a great Noise; and I went out of the Door to see what was the Matter, and over the Hatch lay *Richard*. Lord blefs me, says I, is it you makes this Noise; and I could not fancy any thing, but that it was like the Barking of a Dog.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How thick was it? Was it not like other Folks?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. No.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What ailed him?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. I cannot tell what ailed him.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Do you think he was bewitched?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. I believe he was, my Lord.

L. C. J. *Holt*. I suppose you have some Skill in Witchcraft; did you ever see any body that was bewitched before?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. My Lord, I have been under the same Circumstances myself when I was a Girl, in Sir *Ed. Bromfie'd's* Time.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How do you know you was bewitched?

*Eliz. Willoughby*. There was a Woman taken up upon Suspicion for it.

*L. C. J. Holt.* For bewitching thee ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* Yes, my Lord.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did you scratch her ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* My Lord, I had no Power to do any thing. I flew over them all.

*L. C. J. Holt.* You say you were in the same Condition with this Man, and you say you flew, did you fast too ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* One held me by one Arm, another by the other, and another behind, and I flew sheer over their Heads.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Woman, can you produce any of these Women that saw you fly ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* It was when I was a Child, they are dead, it was in old Sir *Edward Bromfield's* Time.

*L. C. J. Holt.* What became of that Woman that made thee to fly ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* I cannot tell, I have been well ever since I was married.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How was you cured of that Witchery ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* How do I know ?

*Mr. Conyers.* Did you scratch her ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* How should I scratch her, when I had not Power to see her ?

*Mr. Conyers.* And yet you believe this Man was bewitched as well as you. What Condition was this Man in ? How long did he lie in this Condition ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* Night and Day he has lain over the Hatch, and over the Bed, and made a great Noise with his Breath.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Who did you suspect had done him this Harm ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* I know not that.

*Mr. Broderick.* Are you a Widow ?

*Eliz. Willoughby.* No, Sir.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Call *Keeling* (he appeared). Do you know any thing concerning this *Richard Hathaway*?

*Keeling*. I watched with him nine Nights.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What did he eat or drink all that Time?

*Keeling*. He did neither eat nor drink, nor had he any Stool all that Time.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Did you watch with him nine Nights and Days?

*Keeling*. There was another Man that watch'd with him in the Day, as I came out he was let in, and as he came out I was let in.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How long was this before the Trial?

*Keeling*. Two or three Days before he came before Sir *Thomas Lane*. (*Bridges sworn*.)

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you watch with *Richard Hathaway*?

*Bridges*. Yes.

Mr. Ser. *Jenner*. How long?

*Bridges*. Nine Days.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you watch with him the same Days that he watched with him in the Nights?

*Bridges*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you not stir from him till he came?

*Bridges*. No.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you see him eat or drink all that Time?

*Bridges*. No.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Where was it that you watch'd with him?

*Bridges*. In an old empty House.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Where was this House?

*Bridges*. By a Dock on the *Bankside* in *St. Mary Overy's* Parish.



**L. C. J. Holt.** How came you to put him into that House ?

**Bridges.** The Masters of the Parish put him in it.  
**Mr. Webb** sworn.

**Mr. Serj. Jenner.** **Mr. Webb**, did you get a House to put *Hathaway* in ?

**Mr. Webb.** Yes.

**L. C. J. Holt.** How came you to do so ?

**Mr. Webb.** His Master used to work for me, and he came to me, and said, I cannot tell what to do with my Man, unless the Masters of the Parish take some Care of him ; and I did speak with some of them about it ; and they said, we will not trouble the Parish about it, we will spend a Crown a piece, and put these Men into the House with him.

**L. C. J. Holt.** You took the House then ?

**Mr. Webb.** We borrow'd the House, it being empty, and put in these two Men. There were four or five Neighbours more, and I said to him, they say you vomit Pins, I will be satisfied whether it be true or no ; and we stript him, and could find none about him ; we search'd his Shirt, his Stockings, his Breeches, and his Hat, but could find no Pins about him.

**Mr. Serj. Jenner.** Did he eat or drink all the Time you were there ?

**Mr. Webb.** No, my Lord.

**Mr. Serj. Jenner.** Did he vomit ?

**Mr. Webb.** Yes ; I went to him on *Thursday* Morning, and he had a husky Cough, and I thought he would have been choak'd ; and at last he made a Crumb of Spittle out of his Mouth, and there were three Pins came from him in the Spittle, as rusty as if they had lain in a Ditch seven Years. About *Saturday* following he had I believe four Pins more came from him ; I took them, and I think the Hands of Man could not join them as those Pins were. On *Sabbath Day* in the Morning, a Gentleman

tleman came and desired him to go to Church with him, and desired him to drink a Pint of Ale, but he did not drink half; and about five o'Clock in the Afternoon came Mr. *Sutton* the Apothecary, and I stay'd with him till Six on *Monday*, and heard not a Word from him.

*Juryman.* What People came in to see this Fellow while you watched him?

*Keeling.* No Man, Woman, or Child came to him the Time I was there, but only that *Sunday* Night that my Masters were there, and I said, you do not put him here to starve him; and they bid me ask him if he would eat any thing, if he would eat any thing he might have it.

*Mr. Conyers.* Did you not use to carry him out sometimes?

*Keeling.* We never carried him out.

*Mr. Conyers.* Just now you said he was out on *Sabbath* Day.

*Keeling.* Yes, but never otherwise.

*Mr. Broderick.* Was he in a Ground-room, or up Stairs?

*Keeling.* He was in a Ground-room.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Were there any Windows in it?

*Keeling.* Yes.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Was there any Casement?

*Keeling.* Yes, there was.

*Juryman.* We desire to know of this Witness, whether he never was asleep in that Time while he watched with him.

*Keeling.* No, I sat just at his Head. I slept in the Day-time.

*L. C. J. Holt.* You that watched with him in the Day, did not you sleep all Day?

*Bridges.* No.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How came you to concern yourself in this Business? Are you one of the Masters of the Parish?

Mr.

Mr. *Webb*. No, I am not, but it was my Turn to be Overseer, and his Master spoke to me to speak to the Churchwardens; and I did, and they said they would not put the Parish to the Charge, but do it themselves.

L. C. J. *Holt*. What Trade are you?

Mr. *Webb*. A Lighterman, my Lord.

*Dell* sworn.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Do you know this *Richard Hathaway*?

*Dell*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. How long have you known him?

*Dell*. Ever since he was an Apprentice.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you know him two Years ago?

*Dell*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What Condition was he in then?

*Dell*. I was at the Affizes at *Guildford*——

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What did you know of him before that Time?

*Dell*. I took no Notice of such Things?

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Can you say any thing of him?

*Dell*. I can say, that the Night before he was before Sir *Thomas Lane* I watched with him, and he went to Stool, and in his Excrements there was a Lump of Hair, loose Pins, a Stump of a Nail, half a Nut-shell, and two or three pieces of Stone.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. And this you saw?

*Dell*. I saw him in a very deplorable Condition.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How? In what Condition?

*Dell*. This is all I have to say.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What do you call a deplorable Condition?

*Dell*. He lay in such a Condition as if he were dumb; and if he was not, I believe he is the greatest Villain in the World.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How do you know those Excrements came from him ?

*Dell.* I was one of the three Men that watched with him that Night. We had two Chamber-pots; these Things were in the first Stool, and when he had the second Stool, he sat on the Pot, and when he had done, we look'd, and there was nothing in it.

*L. C. J. Holt.* And were these Things in the First ?

*Dell.* Yes, in the First ; in the other there was none. And there were twenty Neighbours more that saw them.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Was *Benn* there ?

*Dell.* Yes, he was there.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Mr. *Benn*, was this so ?

*Benn.* Yes.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* And are you sure those Excrements came from him ?

*Benn.* Yes, I am sure, I stood over him with a naked Sword.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Why did you stand over him with a naked Sword ?

*Benn.* Because People said he was bewitched.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Who employed you to watch with him ?

*Benn.* I went into the House, and I told his Master, if they would watch him in the Day, I would in the Night.

*Powel* called.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* What do you know of this Matter ?

*Powel.* This Man and I went up one Night—

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* When ?

*Powel.* February was Twelvemonth. We went up and look'd upon him, and he lay as one dead, and he did not wag his Eyes; and presently he  
hook'd



hook'd his Neck about in such a Manner that I thought he had broke it; and he foamed, and we took the Foam from his Mouth, and in it were five Pins, the crookedest Ram's-horned Things, that I believe no Man could do them so.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. That was one Night; did you see the same any other Time?

*Powel*. Yes, Sir. e

L. C. J. *Holt*. But you did not see them come from him?

*Powel*. Yes, I took it from his Mouth, and they were rusty.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How should they be rusty?

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. The Stomach will make them rusty. Call Madam *Davenport* (she appeared). Madam, pray give my Lord and the Jury an Account what you know concerning *Richard Hathaway*, when he came to your House, and how he was managed there.

Mrs. *Davenport*. My Lord, one Saturday I accidentally went to Doctor *Hamilton's* to visit his Wife, and I saw with the Doctor this Fellow's Master standing there; and I perceived he was come to desire the Doctor to perform a Promise he had made to him formerly.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Was this before the Trial, or after?

Mrs. *Davenport*. It was after the Trial. I came accidentally to the Doctor's, and saw the Fellow's Master with the Doctor.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Was the Fellow there himself?

Mrs. *Davenport*. No, my Lord, I never saw him there. But standing there, I perceived him expecting the Doctor to make good a Promise he had made him about this Fellow. I found the Doctor demurr'd upon it, not knowing where to put him. At last says he to me, Mrs. *Davenport*,  
will

will you let me have a Garret in your House ? Doctor, says I, you shall have my whole House at your Service, if you have Occasion for it ; I thought nothing of this Fellow, till the Doctor told me it was for him. And the Doctor told me he should come that Night. Says the Fellow's Master, I will not send a Bed, that the Doctor may be satisfied there is no Cheat. And the Doctor, to prevent any Cheat, desired me to go and buy an old Bed. So I went and got a Bed in *Long-lane* ; and at Night he was brought by his Master and some of his Neighbours. And truly I was surprized when I saw him, he seemed very weak.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What did you do with him ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. They said he had Fits, and I found I must take other Measures with him than I thought of. His Master desired he might be searched ; and my Son and two Men more searched him. So he went to Bed, and was watched with that Night, and in the Morning he was struck blind.

L. C. J. *Holt*. At your House ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. Yes, my Lord.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you appoint any Persons to watch with him ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you watch with him yourself ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. Yes, several Times.

L. C. J. *Holt*. How long at a Time did you watch with him ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. But one Night at a Time myself.

L. C. J. *Holt*. When you did watch with him, did you watch the whole Night ?

Mrs. *Davenport*. Yes, several Nights, and this Gentlewoman or myself took Care of him always.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. What did he eat or drink while he was there ?

Mrs.

*Mrs. Davenport.* Nothing; as for his Fasting, the Doctor gave me a great Charge, and said he knew I would do it.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* All the Time you watched with him, you say he did neither eat nor drink.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How many Nights did you watch with him in the Seventeen?

*Mrs. Davenport.* But Two.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How many Days?

*Mrs. Davenport.* Every Day.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did you watch with him every Day yourself?

*Mrs. Davenport.* Either myself or this Woman, or the Servant or my Son *Davenport*. He is now gone to Sea. My Lord, I do not tell you I kept him in the Garret all this Time.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* When you left him, who relieved you?

*Mrs. Davenport.* This Gentlewoman or my Servant.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* What is that Gentlewoman's Name?

*Mrs. Walker.* *Walker* (she was sworn).

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* *Mrs. Walker*, did you watch with him in this Place?

*Mrs. Walker.* Yes.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Did he eat or drink while he was there?

*Mrs. Walker.* He did neither eat nor drink.

*Mr. Conyers.* How often was it that you watched with him?

*Mrs. Walker.* I cannot tell whether one or two Nights.

*L. C. J. Holt.* I would be satisfied in some Things. Is that *Davenport* you speak of your Son?

*Mrs. Davenport.* Yes, my Lord. He is now gone to Sea.

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L. C. J. Holt. How long has he been gone to Sea?

Mrs. Davenport. But a Week.

Mrs. Dorman sworn.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Mrs. Dorman, did you watch with this Man at Mrs. Davenport's?

Mrs. Dorman. Yes.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Within the seventeen Days that he was there, did he eat or drink?

Mrs. Dorman. No.

Mr. Phipps. How many Nights or Days did you watch with him?

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Give an Account of the Time when you watched with him, and no longer.

Mrs. Dorman. Two Nights, and every Day.

L. C. J. Holt. He might have eat, and you not see him, might he not?

Mrs. Dorman. But the Time I saw him, he did neither eat nor drink. And he made Water, and I believe five Times more came from him than he took.

Mrs. Dean sworn.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Mrs. Dean, do you know Richard Hothaway?

Mrs. Dean. Yes.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. How long have you known him?

Mrs. Dean. Not till he was at Madam Davenport's?

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Was you there all the seventeen Days?

Mrs. Dean. Not all the Time. I sat up with him two Nights.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. Who sat up with you?

Mrs. Dean. Madam Davenport.

Mr. Serj. Jenner. While you were there, did he eat or drink?

Mrs. Dean. No.

Mr.



M. Serj. *Jenner*. Call Doctor *Hamilton* (he was sworn). Doctor, pray give an Account of what you know concerning this *Richard Hathaway*.

Doctor *Hamilton*. My Lord, I have very little to say upon my own personal Knowledge ; but happening to be at Sir *Thomas Lane*'s when he was brought before him, I heard what past, and I desired Sir *Thomas* to let me try his Throat, and I did try it, and found nothing amiss. But at last I found there was nothing to be depended upon, for there are abundance of Legerdemain Tricks; therefore his vomiting Pins, and other Actions, were not to be trusted to; and therefore there was nothing to be depended on but his Fasting; and if you would discover whether he be an Impostor or no, he must be lock'd up in a Room for a Fortnight, and watch'd. And then I said to the Fellow's Master, for my Curiosity, if you please, I will lock him up in a Room for a Fortnight, and I shall find out whether he counterfeits or no: And he came to me afterwards, and said, Doctor, you promised you would make this Trial of my Man. I did so, says I, and if I can I will; I had thoughts of putting him in a Garret; but then I considered, if I should put him in the Garret by himself, he might die. But at the same time Mrs. *Davenport* happened to come to my House, and I said to her, I dare trust you with an Experiment, for I believe he is an Impostor, and I desired her to let me have her Garret to put him in, and she consented. And I desired her either to go herself, or send to *Long lane*, and buy Things for him; and that she should strip him, and see that nothing may be about him to hide Bread or any thing else in; and, said I, let none come to him; and let one or two of your Family sit up with him every Night: and she promised me she would. Accordingly she bought a Bed for him and other things,  
and

and he was sent to her ; and the next Day they sent me Word that he had strange Kind of Motions ; but I said, there is nothing to be depended on as to these Things ; but I would fain know whether he fasts or no. I have heard of many that have fasted many Weeks, but they have taken Water, or some such Thing ; which, tho' they are very weak Things, yet may keep one alive ; but none can live without taking something ; and if he should live to the End of seventeen Days without Eating or Drinking any thing, I should have something to take hold of. They told me——

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. That is no Matter what they told you, did you see him afterwards ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. I was mightily concerned for the poor Creature, when I saw him at Sir *Thomas Lane's* ; and I was willing to try him.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you see him after that ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. Yes, when he was blind for several Days. And I sent to Doctor *Martin*, and desired the Favour of him to call upon me, and I said——

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you see him after he had been at Madam *Davenport's* ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. Yes.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you see him while he was there ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. Yes. The Thing that I depended upon was purely his Fasting. I saw him myself several Times, and I could not believe but that he had eat, because his Pulse was strong, that was one Reason that I thought he must eat.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Did you see him the last Day of the Fortnight ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. I was just going to Dinner when Doctor *Martin* came to me, and I said to him, Doctor *Martin*, let us try every Thing ; will you

you go along with me to him ? says he, if I go, he will fall in a Passion. But after I had dined I went, and enquired about him, and they told me he had strange Motions.

Mr. *Broderick*. You say you reject every Thing except that of his Fasting.

Doctor *Hamilton*. Yes.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Doctor, do you think it is possible in Nature for a Man to fast a Fortnight ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. I think not, my Lord.

L. C. J. *Holt*. Can all the Devils in Hell help a Man to fast so long ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. No, my Lord, I think not ; and that made me to suspect him.

Mr. *Phipps*. Do you think the Pulse of a Man can be strong when he has fasted eight Days ?

Doctor *Hamilton*. I think not.

Sir *Thomas Lane* called and sworn.

Mr. Serj. *Jenner*. Sir *Thomas*, be pleased to tell my Lord and the Jury what you know of this Man.

Sir *Tho. Lane*. It was above a Twelvemonth ago, that his Master brought a Woman before me, upon Suspicion that she was a Witch, and that she had bewitched his Man ; but there having been a Trial, I shall wave that. I enquired what Kind of Life he had lived ; and his Master said, he had behaved himself very civilly, and gave him a very good Character. He told me how grievously he had been afflicted, and that he had been six or seven Months in the Hospital, and had fasted a great while, above eight Weeks, and had voided and vomited Pins, and two Witnesses swore to Chains of Hundreds of Pins came from him in his Excrements. And it seems they had a Fancy that scratching *Sarah Mor-duck* would give him Relief, and they were earnest with me that I would command this Woman to be scratched ; and I appeal to them, whether I did  
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not refuse it. I said, if I should order this, it would be an Assault; but if she will consent you may do it. Says she, if I may be secured for the future, I will let him. Says I, if you do it, do it in your own Way, there are several here that know it was so. And she did give her Consent, and he scratched her; and I pull'd away her Arm from him. The Fellow had Bread and Cheese brought him; and, as soon as he had scratched this Woman, he took the Bread and Cheese, and eat prodigiously; and he had about a Quart of Drink, and and he drank it up at a Gulp. I ask'd Mrs. *Morduck* and her Friends whether they did ever know that this Fellow had got any Money by these Tricks; no, they could not tell of any; so that there appeared to be neither Profit nor Revenge in the Case, and I thought he could not be such a Fool to pretend all this for no End, and run the Hazard of being whipp'd.

*L. C. J. Holt.* The Question is not whether he shall be punished for a Fool, but whether he be a Knave; whatever Punishment he may suffer, if convicted, does not belong to you to determine.

*St. Thomas Lane.* I sent for Mr. *Martin*, and I sent for him, and I sent for the Woman, and I examined them both; and Mr. *Martin* told me he suspected the Fellow might be an Impostor, for he had got a Woman to be scratched for *Sarah Morduck*. And he ask'd the Woman that Mr. *Martin* had hired, and she said in her Opinion he could see no more than a Post.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Call *Johnson* again. This Man scratched you, when he had done it, did you see him afterwards?

*Johnson.* Yes.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Were his eyes open?

*Johnson.* Yes.

*L. C. J. Holt.* But could he see?

*Johnson.*



*Johnson.* No. When he scratched me they were shut.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Every Body can see when their Eyes are open.

*Sir Thomas Lane.* This Woman said, she believed he could neither see nor hear, any more than a Post.

*Mr. Martin.* It was after I was gone, I heard nothing of it.

*Sir Thomas Lane.* I sent for him after the Examination, all the Evidence that was before was of his Fastings.

*L. C. J. Holt.* *Anne Eaton*, how long did you watch with him?

*Anne Eaton.* Nine Weeks.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Was he dumb and blind so long?

*Anne Eaton.* No, my Lord.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How long did he fast?

*Anne Eaton.* Thirteen Weeks in all.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Did you watch with him all the Time?

*Anne Eaton.* Sometimes by Night, but not by Day.

*Heycock* sworn.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* What do you know of this Man?

*Heycock.* I saw this Man in a very dreadful Condition since the last Assizes.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Where did you see him?

*Heycock.* At *Mr. Welling's* I saw him blind and dumb, and his Eyes were ready to start out of his Head.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How long since was it that you saw him thus?

*Heycock.* I saw him several Times in that Condition. And I was once in Company, when there were four or five to hold him in his Bed, whereas

at another Time he had not half the Strength of a Man.

*L. C. J. Holt.* When was this?

*Heycock.* Since the Assizes.

*Spurling* sworn.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* What did you see of this Person?

*Spurling.* I saw him at Madam *Davenport's*.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* How often did you see him?

*Spurling.* Three Times.

*Mr. Serj. Jenner.* Did you watch with him there?

*Spurling.* I went to see him, because I heard he was under a supernatural Power.

*L. C. J. Holt.* What do you think that was, was it an infernal Power?

*Spurling.* A diabolical Spirit.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did you ever hear the Power of a diabolical Spirit described?

*Spurling.* But I suppose those that are under Witchcraft are under such a Spirit.

*L. C. J. Holt.* But can a diabolical Spirit enable a Man to fast forty Days?

*Spurling.* I cannot tell that. I was acquainted with one that was under a supernatural Power, that was in such a Condition as this Man was.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did he fast too?

*Spurling.* I know not that.

*L. C. J. Holt.* I never heard that the Devil ever made such a bold Attempt.

*Spurling.* That Person the Devil acted him so subtly that it was impossible to prosecute him.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How could you know that?

*Spurling.* Because when his Eyes were shut, he could tell any Man's Name that was coming up.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Was not he very well pleased to be bewitched?

*Spurling.*

*Spurling.* No, he was actually possessed.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Was he sick, or out of Order?

*Spurling.* No, my Lord, but he had crooked Pins came from him.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Did he accuse any body of bewitching him?

*Spurling.* Yes.

*L. C. J. Holt.* What is become of that Person he accused?

*Spurling.* He accused several.

*L. C. J. Holt.* How many did he accuse?

*Spurling.* Five Women, especially One.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Where is that Woman?

*Spurling.* She is deceased.

*L. C. J. Holt.* Gentlemen of the Jury, you have heard a very long and tedious Evidence. The Information is against this *Richard Hathaway*, for that he with an evil Design to take away the Life of *Sarah Morduck*, pretended to be bewitched, and to have fasted for a considerable Time, being not able to take any Sustenance for diverse Days, nay, for several Weeks which he pretended to fast. And his Fasting was imputed to this Woman's bewitching him, that he did pretend to fast a considerable Time; that he did procure this Woman to be committed for being a Witch; that she was indicted, tried and acquitted, is plainly proved to you, without all manner of Question. The only Question that you are now to try is, whether this Man did do this by Reason of any Disability of his Mind, or Delusion that was upon him, or did counterfeit, (what was the Reason to induce him to counterfeit, does not appear; whether to get Money, or what else will not be material) but if this Man was under a Delirium of his Mind, and did fancy himself to be bewitched, then there will be no Reason to convict him.

Now it is urged that he did this maliciously, and with a Design to take away the Woman's Life ; first they tell you, that this Man had been a Servant to one *Welling*, a Blacksmith, he came to him about four or five Years ago, then he had Fits, and was put into the Hospital ; and being there, he pretends he could not eat ; after that he was dumb ; and after that he began to be blind ; and being blind and dumb, and Fasting, these were look'd upon to be the three Tokens that he was bewitched. Then the Man had a Fancy that he was bewitched by this Woman, but for what Reason does not appear ; but his Fancy appeared to be very strong, that she brought him into these Mischiefs. Therefore he must go and scratch her, which he did, and presently he could see and eat ; this was look'd on as very strange, and People concluded that this Woman was the Cause of these Maladies that were upon this Man, it seems that this Scratching was thought to be so effectual, that he was well for about six Weeks ; after which he appeared to be ill again, and his Sight and his Stomach were gone again, and then it was proposed he should scratch her again. It seems that before that, Doctor *Martin* was desired to come to him, and pray with him, and he did, and to try whether he was sensible or not ; he took him by the Hand, and by the Signs he made, found he was sensible, and therefore he did pity his Condition, but could not tell what to make of it. But *Welling*, his Master, told the Doctor he received great Benefit by scratching the Woman before, and thereupon desired she might be scratched again. But he suspecting this might be a meer Counterfeit, and that it could not have that Effect, he thereupon gets the Woman seemingly to consent to be scratched, being resolved to try whether this was an Imposture or no. And *Hathaway* pretending himself



to be blind, gave him an Opportunity to make that Experiment: For he procured another Woman to represent *Sarah Morduck*, and she consented to be scratched in her Stead; *Hathaway* was laid up in a Bed, and *Sarah Morduck* was in the Room, and spoke to him. It was observed when this other Woman, whose Name was *Johnson*, was brought to represent this *Morduck* to *Hathaway*, she put her Hand into his, and then he examined it, and her Wrist, and her Arm, so it seems he had some Apprehension of a Design to impose upon him; and then he proceeds to scratch that other Woman, who takes it patiently, till the Blood was ready to come, and then she was suddenly taken away, and some of the Company said the Blood is come, and presently his eyes opened, and he laid hold on *Sarah Morduck* and seizes her, and did not only appear to see but to speak. This is proved to you by other Evidence besides Doctor *Martin*. Upon this, says Doctor *Martin*, you are mistaken, you have deceived the World, you have not scratched *Sarah Morduck*, but another Woman. When he understood that, he was very much concerned, and seemed to begin to be ill again; and *Welling* said, he will not be well till he had scratched the right Woman; so to Appearance he fell ill again. You have heard how the Matter had been carried on afterwards, for many looked on this Blindness and Fasting as an errant Imposture; *Welling* and his Wife complained to Doctor *Martin*, saying, you have undone us all, and our Family too; what should be the Meaning of that? What, because he had discovered a Cheat, therefore they were undone. It seemed likely that if it were a Cheat, and *Welling* not conscious to himself of carrying it on, he need not have been concerned at it; but they rest not here; the Woman, *Sarah Morduck*, must be scratched again, which was

performed with Violence, against her Consent; and the Woman being pursued by the Rabble, not able to live quietly in *Southwark*, was forced to go on the other Side of the Water, and take a Lodging there for her Security; where she was again pursued, and assaulted by *Hathaway*, and others, in a riotous Manner, in order to scratch her again; and though Complaint, on her Behalf, was made of this Violence to Sir *Thomas Lane*, he did not think fit to give her any Relief, being (as it seems upon some Evidence) possessed with an Opinion that there might be some Grounds for pursuing this Woman in that Manner; she was carried before him, and he being informed that this Fellow could not eat nor drink; thereupon it was thought convenient by Sir *Thomas*, in order to make a full Discovery, that she should be scratched again; and accordingly she was persuaded to submit to be scratched, and presently after the Scratching *Hathaway* did eat, and drank very greedily, and thereupon this Woman was committed to Prison; this was thought a great Evidence of this Man's being bewitched by this Woman *Sarah Morduck*; what Rule they have for it, either in Philosophy or Divinity, I cannot tell. There was a Trial, and the Woman was acquitted, and upon full Evidence. He then pretended to have fasted for a long Time. That of our SAVIOUR's fasting forty Days, is mentioned in Scripture as miraculous, and an Effect of Divine Power, being one Evidence of the Truth of the Christian Religion. Who can imagine, that without such Assistance, a Man can fast forty Days, or above, and yet continue in Health; it is not within the Compass of my Understanding to conceive it, I must leave you to consult your own; and to consider with yourselves, whether you have any Evidence to induce you to believe it to be in the Power of all the Witches in  
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the World, or all the Devils in Hell, to enable a Man to fast beyond the usual Time that Nature will allow; they cannot invert the Order of Nature: And if the Thing be impossible, and he endeavour all this while to make the World believe he has fasted so long a Time, it is most evident he is a Cheat; for he must contrive to have some Victuals some way or other secretly conveyed to him; of which the Impossibility of his being able to fast so long is a Demonstration. But notwithstanding this Trial, and that this Woman was acquitted, yet this Matter must be carried on still; he was bailed out, and then returns to his Fits again; and tho' then he was not blind, or pretended to be so, yet he seemed to fast and to be dumb again for a long Time. This made a great Hubbub about the Town, and the People clamoured that the Man had Injustice done him in the Trial at the Assizes; and Reports were spread that the Woman was acquitted by Favour or Corruption both of the Judge and Jury: Upon this Account the Woman was pursued by a Rabble, and came to be in imminent Danger of her Life: Wherefore it was thought highly necessary that the Prosecution against this Man and others concerned with him should be speedy; and thereupon he was apprehended and bound to appear in the *King's-Bench*, and there he pretended still to be dumb. His Bail delivered him up, and he was sent to the *Marshalsea*. There he lay without eating or speaking for some short Time, till it was considered, that if he was under any real Affliction, it was proper he should be under the Care of some proper Person: Therefore he was put to the House of Mr. *Kensley*, a Chirurgion, in *Fetter-lane*, who was ordered to take Care of him and use him well, also to watch him, and endeavour to make a Discovery of the Truth of his Condition. He was delivered into his Hands

the First of *November* last. The People of the House took Care of him, and he fasted from *Saturday* till *Monday*; and Mr. *Kensley* asked him, how many Weeks he had fasted? He counted on his Fingers Twelve: But Mr. *Kensley* thought he did not deal truly, but had a Mind to impose upon the World, and therefore he locks him up. He eat nothing all *Saturday* and *Sunday*; but Mr. *Kensley* found he had made Water, for he discovered the Rug, or Counterpane, of the Bed to be wet, and that it appeared to come from the Tester of the Bed; he made Water it seems in an old Box, and set it over the Bed. Drink was offered him, but he refused it: After this Mr. *Kensley* makes use of this Stratagem, he pretends to quarrel with his Maid, and gives her reproachful Language, in the Hearing of *Hathaway*, calling her Hypocrite like unto him, at which the Maid seemed to be provoked; and out of Revenge, to prevent her Master's Design in making a Discovery, she takes an Opportunity and says to him, take heed of my Master, he will betray you. And she had insinuated herself so far into him, that he began to trust her; she gave him on the *Monday* a Glass of Brandy, which he drank, and a Piece of Pudding, which he received and put into his Pocket, and afterwards a Toast and Beer, which he eat and drank, and afterwards he entirely trusted this Woman; and Day by Day he did eat plentifully for several Days together in her Presence, from *Tuesday* to *Friday* Sevensnight, thinking Mr. *Kensley* did not see him; but he being in a secret Place, undiscovered by *Hathaway*, did see him eat and drink several Days, sometimes he drank so much that he was perfectly drunk; and all this while he pretended to fast, tho' diverse others besides Mr. *Kensley* and the Maid were Witnesses to his Eating and Drinking. Then it was thought to be Time to discover this to the World; and he was told plainly by Mr. *Kensley* that he



he was discovered, and if he would tell the Truth he should be pardoned, seeing he could carry it on no longer. Now it is plain this Man had counterfeited during the Time he was at Mr. *Kensley's*; tho' that particular Time be not laid in the Information, yet it is a Continuance of that Time which is laid therein. And if he was an Impostor by pretending to have fasted while he was at Mr. *Kensley's* House, I leave you to consider whether he was not so all the while before. You hear what Management here has been, how he was at *Welling's* House, how Pins were pretended to come from him, how they were made use of, and Charms sewed to him. You hear how some time ago one Mr. *Bateman* came to him, hearing at the Beginning of this Business he vomited Pins, he saw some on the Ground; when he vomited a considerable Number they were linked up together; for it is hard to manage so many loose Pins; but when they are linked together they are the easier to manage in the Mouth. Here he pretended to vomit Pins, and would be still putting his Hands to his Pocket, and Mr. *Bateman* fancied he pulled them out from thence. Therefore he took the Chamber-pot, and would not let his Hands come near it, then he vomited no Pins there, and he searched his Pockets, and there were great Quantities of Pins found therein; neither did he at any Time seem to vomit any Pins, until he had drank a Draught of Ale. But notwithstanding all this, there are People that come and tell you that he was sick, he was disturbed and had these Fits; one Woman tells you she has watched with him several Times, sometimes by Night, another Woman tells you that she watched with him, when the other did not, and sometimes by Day; and that he did not eat, but was sick, and out of order. Another tells you, he saw him, that he was in great Disorder, threw himself backward and forward, and

would turn his Face round towards his Back, and that he was blind, tho' his Eyes were open ; but how could he tell that he was blind ; said he, when I pulled him by his Eye-lids, his Eyes did not stir, and therefore he infers that he was blind. And then they give you an Account that he was at the Hospital five Months, and that he was weak, and went upon his Ankles, and had Quicksilver given him, and that he lay seven or eight Days, and did not eat ; but then there was no Apprehension of Witchcraft. And one Mr. *Smith*, an Apothecary, a Witness, called on his Part, and a Neighbour, said, he knew him four or five Years ago, and that *Hathaway* was then with his Master, and had Fits, and would fall down and seem to be dead ; whether he was really sick or counterfeited he cannot tell, he applied his Cupping glasses to him, and presently brought him to himself, this is one of his own Witnesses. And then there is Mrs. *Willoughby*, she saw him in his Master's House, and she said his Breath made a Noise like the Barking of a Dog, and she believes he was bewitched, for she herself had been bewitched, and was made to fly, and she fancies he was bewitched because of his breathing in that Manner. And then they tell you what Care was taken of him, and he was put into an empty House about nine or ten Days, and one Man watched with him by Day, and another by Night, and how they came to do that ; and they swear they never saw him eat or drink all that Time, but they say he did several times vomit Pins in that Time ; but it seems he was put there merely out of Charity, the Parish would not be charged with him : Then they tell you there were People appointed to watch with him there were two Chamber-pots ; and in one there were Excrements, and there were Pins in it, and Hair, and a Piece of a Nail, but after he sat on

on the second Pot, there was nothing found therein; but they conclude him bewitched. Then there are others that say he lay as dead, and that they took out of his Mouth several Pins; and then you have an Account after the Trial what happened at Mrs. *Davenport's*, where he was sent by Doctor *Hamilton* to be tried whether he was an Impostor or not. She says she watched with him herself sometimes, another Woman at other times, and another at other times, and that they could never perceive that he eat any thing. But there is one Mr. *Davenport* that was with him some other times, but he is gone to Sea, and could not appear. Then comes at last Doctor *Hamilton*, and he tells you he was by, when this Matter was brought before Sir *Thomas Lane*, and he could not tell what to think of his Fasting; but as to his Fits and the Pins, he says those may be easily counterfeited by Legerdemain Tricks; but, says he, Fasting for so long as some People did believe he did, is more than Nature can bear; nobody can think the Devil has such a Power to enable a Man to undergo it. Tricks the Devil may play, but not work a Miracle; it is not to be thought that God should let him loose so far. This is the Sum of the Matter, his pretending to be dumb and blind, and to fast, and to be restored to his Speech, his Sight and Stomach, by scratching this Woman, is fully proved. You are to consider whether he did labour under these Infirmities, or counterfeited them, and whether scratching and drawing Blood of the old Woman, could be effectual to cure him of them, if they had been real? If not, then it is a strong Argument that these Infirmities were counterfeited. His scratching and drawing Blood of a strange Woman, instead of *Sarah Morduck*, did seem to avail him as much as if he had scratched her, until he understood he was imposed upon; then he seemed

to relapse to his former Condition. You will remember what passed at Mr. *Kensley's*, and the Manner of vomiting of Pins as was pretended. You are to consider whether this Man was *non compos mentis*, or under a Delusion; therefore I shall spare the troubling you with more Words, but leave it wholly to you. If you do believe, upon the whole Matter, that this Man has imposed upon the Magistrate and on the World, or endeavoured by a counterfeiting these Infirmities, to persuade People to believe that this Woman was a Witch, and had bewitched him, then there is all the Reason that can be to find him guilty. But if you believe he did not counterfeit, or that he was *non compos mentis*, or under any Kind of Delusions, you must acquit him.

The Jury consulted, and without going from the Bar, brought him in Guilty.

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A Short ACCOUNT of the TRIAL  
held at *Surrey Affizes*, in the Borough  
of *Southwark*, *March 26, 1702.*

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In an Information against *Richard Hathaway*,  
*Thomas Welling* and *Elizabeth* his Wife,  
and *Elizabeth Willoughby*, Wife of *Walter*  
*Willoughby*, upon an Information for a  
Riot and Assault, &c.

THE Information sets forth, that the Defendants, with diverse other Persons, the Twenty-fifth of *September*, in the Twelfth Year of King *William*, at *Southwark*, in a riotous and unlawful Manner assembled themselves, and made a great Affray and Riot: And upon one *Sarah Morduck*, the Wife of *Edward Morduck*, being an honest Woman, and not a Witch, nor ever using Witchcraft, Enchantment, Charm or Sorcery, did make an Assault; and under a wicked Colour, against the Law, to try whether the said *Sarah* was then a Witch (the Defendant *Hathaway* then falsely and maliciously affirming himself to be bewitched by her the said *Sarah*, though in Truth he was never bewitched and well knew himself not to be so) her the said *Sarah* did then and there scratch, wound, &c. against the Peace, &c.

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The Information further set forth, That the said Defendants, the 11th of *February*, in the Twelfth Year of King *William*, at *Southwark* aforesaid, assembling themselves together riotously and unlawfully, did then and there make a great Affray and Riot, and also assaulted the said *Sarah*, and beat, scratch, and wounded her, in Contempt of the King, and against the Peace, &c.

The Information further set forth, that the said Defendants, the said Eleventh of *February*, did assault the said *Sarah*, and wounded her the said *Sarah*, against the Peace, &c.

The Defendants pleaded Not Guilty, and Issue was taken thereupon. The Council for the King opened the Case to this Effect: That the Defendants Case was the same as in the other Information. *Hathaway* pretended himself bewitched, and the Contrivance was carried on by the other Defendants and diverse others; but whether for the Hopes of getting Money by it, or out of Malice to take away the poor Woman's Life, or what the Design was, was not then known; but it was certain that several Riots and Assemblies were made, and great Numbers of People came together in a Body, at several times to *Morduck's* House, and in a violent Manner entered the same, and by Force took her out, and carried her away to the Defendant *Welling's* House, where the Defendant *Hathaway* scratched her; and the other Defendants also, in a very barbarous Manner beat her, pulled out her Teeth, tore her Face, Hair and Clothes, threw her on the Ground, stamped upon her Belly, and threw her into the Street, where she lay as murdered until taken into a Neighbour's House, which the Defendants and others in a riotous Manner beset, and threatened to pull it down, unless *Morduck* (the pretended Witch) was again delivered to them. These Riots

Riots and Assaults happened to be encouraged by an Accident, which fell out as *Morduck* was going through *Newgate market*, where the People crying out a Witch, the Rabble seized her, and threatned to throw her into a Horse pond; that one of these Rioters being taken away, was carried before a Magistrate in the City, but he was so far from taking Notice thereof, that he declared that there was Cause enough for it; and being desired to ask the Person's Name, refused it; but the same Magistrate afterwards ordered the Defendant *Hathaway* to scratch *Morduck* in his Presence, where were also present some of the Aldermen of *London*: These Matters being acted by publick Authority, gave the licentious Mob such a Confidence, that even after the Woman was tried and acquitted, and the Defendant *Hathaway* committed for an Impostor, yet he with the other Defendants did again in riotous Manner assault, scratch and wound, the said *Morduck*, and pursued her after a cruel Manner from Day to Day, till they were taken into Custody, in order to be punished for the same, for which several barbarous Facts the Defendants were then to be tried.

*Then the Council for the King called their Evidence to prove the several Branches of the Informations.*

*Sarah Morduck* being called and sworn, deposed to this Effect: That in *September* last *Richard Hathaway* came to this Informant in *Surrey*, as she was opening her Window, and being behind scratched her Face in a very cruel Manner, and forced out one of her Teeth, and carried away her Clothes; and upon the Eleventh of *February* last, *Thomas Osburn*, *Thomas Hatton*, with four other Persons unknown, all in Disguise, came to this Informant's House in  
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*Surrey*, and forced her out of her House, and carried her to the House of *Thomas Welling*, who is Master to the said *Richard Hathaway*; and there the said *Hathaway*, by the Encouragement of the said *Osburn* and *Hatton*, and the rest of the Company, did again scratch this Informant in a most barbarous Manner; and afterwards *Elizabeth*, Wife to the said *Thomas Welling*, fell upon her and scratched her in a most cruel Manner, and tore her Face, and tore off her Head-clothes and Hair; and then the said *Thomas Welling* gave this Informant two or three Kicks on her Belly, and threw her on the Ground and stamped upon her, and so much bruised her, that she was forced to keep her Bed for about a Fortnight. And this Informant further deposeth, that in *September* last, one *Elizabeth Willoughby*, the Wife of *Walter Willoughby*, came to this Informant's House in *Surrey*, and brought a great many Persons unknown to this Informant with her; and the said *Elizabeth* gave this Informant several Blows with her Fist, and would have pulled her out of her House, for him, the aforesaid *Richard Hathaway*, to have scratched her, he standing at a Corner hard by, but was prevented by *Mrs. Sarah Hall*. And further saith, that in the Month of *September* last, she having Occasion to go into *Newgate-market*, a Boy, his Name is *John Hopkins*, called out, saying, there goes the Old Witch; whereupon a great Company of People, in a riotous Manner, flocked about her, and threatned to throw her in a Horsepond; and this Informant being got into an Ale-house, by the Assistance of some Women, avoided the Fury of the Rabble, otherwise she had been murdered, as she verily believes; and afterwards *Mr. Burrell*, her Landlord, with others his Assistants, came and conveyed her Home.

*Sarah Hall* was the next Witness, who said, that in *September* 1700, about Eight in the Forenoon,

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Defendant *Willoughby* came with *Hathaway* and others, pretending to buy Fruit of *Morduck*, and told *Morduck* she came to have her out, that *Hathaway* might scratch her; and *Willoughby* struck *Morduck* several Blows, and forced her out of Doors, before *Hall* could come to her Assistance, who with Difficulty got *Morduck* into her House again; upon which the Defendants *Willoughby* and *Hathaway*, and others, beset her House and threatned to pull it down, unless they had *Morduck* delivered to them; but *Hall* calling up her Husband, who was a Bed, the Persons went away.

*Robert Adams* and *John Bower*, both Watermen, declared, that plying for their Fare at *Mason's* Stairs, they saw Defendant *Hathaway* come behind *Morduck*, as she was opening her Window, and took her about the Neck with one Arm, and pulled her almost to the Ground, and scratched her Face in several Places till the Blood came, and tore her Mouth, and tore her Hood and Head-Clothes from her Head; and being taken off, *Morduck* got into a Neighbour's House, whom *Hathaway* would have pursued in at a Window, had not *Adams* stopt him.

To prove the Riot and Assault in *February* 1700.

*Sarah Morduck* declared, that the Eleventh of *February*, 1700, *Thomas Osburn*, *Thomas Hatton*, with four others unknown, all disguised, came to and forced her out of her House, and carried her to the House of the Defendant *Welling*, *Hathaway's* Master; where *Hathaway*, by the Encouragement of the Company, scratched her barbarously, and after that *Welling's* Wife scratched her, and tore her Hair and Face, and pulled off her Head-clothes; then *Welling* kicked her two or three times on the Belly, and threw her on the Ground, and stamped on her,  
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and bruised her so much, that she was forced to keep her Bed for a Fortnight.

Mrs. *Hall* said, that in *February* 1700, in the Evening, several Persons unknown came to her House, and forced *Morduck* from thence, and carried her to *Welling's* (as she was told) that about half an Hour after *Morduck* was cast into the Street; and being received into a Neighbour's House, *Hall* went to her, and found her Face much torn, in a most barbarous Manner, and her Legs, Arms and Body, cruelly bruised and black.

Then the Council called Witnesses to prove the third Part of the Information.

*Samuel Burrell*, being sworn, deposed, that *Edmund Jones*, in Company with two others, came to his House, and desired to speak with *Morduck*, who lodged there, who being called to *Jones*, he asked her to go over the Water to be scratched by *Hathaway*, who declared he was bewitched by her; but, she refusing to go, *Jones* said, if she walk'd *London*, he would have her scratched; and further, that about *Easter* or *Whitsen* Week last, the said *Jones* came to his House with about fourteen Strangers, among whom was *Hathaway*, and would have forced into *Morduck's* Chamber, but a Constable coming, they all but *Jones* dispers'd, whom the Constable took, and carried before Sir *Thomas Lane*; but Sir *Thomas* would take no Notice of it.

*Thomas Knowlton* being sworn, deposed, that in *Easter Week* last, *Jones* and *Hathaway*, and several others, went into *Burrell's* House, and asked for *Sarah Morduck*, who was called down to them, when *Burrell* desired them to go up Stairs into the common Drinking-room, and desired *Knowlton* to see that *Morduck* had no Harm done her. That soon

soon after came in about fourteen Persons, one of which said they came to give *Hathaway* Ease, and that they would do it before they went; upon which *Morduck*, at *Knowlton's* Desire, retired into her Chamber.

*Thomas Noon*, being sworn, declared, that all the Time aforesaid he saw three or four Persons, who were of *Jones's* Company, endeavouring to get into *Morduck's* Chamber, and upon *Noon's* asking them their Business, they cry'd they would speak with *Morduck*; but, upon his threatning them, they went into the Room below Stairs, from whence they came.

*Henry Armstrong* declared, that in September was Twelvemonth, he saw a great Number of People following *Morduck*, calling her Witch; and going Home afterwards, he saw a Crowd of People at an Alehouse Door near *St. Paul's Church-yard*, who declared *Morduck* a Witch: and that he assisted *Burrell* in securing *Morduck* from the Rabble.

*James Hearne*, being called, deposed, that in Easter or Whitson Week last, one *Jones* was apprehended for a Riot, by him and others committed in *Burrell's* House, and carried before Sir *Thomas Lane*, who discharged *Jones*, saying, there was Cause enough for the Riot; and tho' often intreated by *Hearne*, yet Sir *Thomas* refused to let him know *Jones's* Name. And the said *Hearne* further declared, that the Day after *Jones* was carried before Sir *Thomas*, he and *Burrell*, by Sir *Thomas's* Directions, carried *Morduck* before him, where were present Sir *Owen Buckingham* and Doctor *Hamilton*, and the Defendant *Hathaway*. That Sir *Thomas* would have had *Morduck* scratched by *Hathaway*, which she refused, unless she might be at Peace for the future: And after Doctor *Hamilton* had given *Hathaway* some Beer, Sir *Thomas* would have had *Morduck*

*duck* scratched ; but the Doctor said, let her alone a little, to see what Effect the Drink would have on *Hathaway* ; and said, if she was scratched, it would be said that the Scratching, and not the Drink, made the Alteration. And Sir *Thomas* had heard some more Discourse of *Hathaway's* vomiting Pins, &c. Sir *Thomas* said again, let her be scratched, but *Hearne* opposed it, saying, she had been too much abused already ; notwithstanding which Sir *Thomas* ordered *Hathaway* to scratch her ; and ordered her to be stripped and searched by some Women in his own House. That *Hearne* seeing Sir *Thomas's* Resolution bid him satisfy himself. After which Sir *Thomas* committed *Morduck* to *Wood street Compter*, and refused 500*l.* Bail for her Appearance : But upon Application made to him by Doctor *Barton*, and Doctor *Martin*, Sir *Thomas* accepted *Hearne's* and his Brother's Bail for *Morduck*.

*The Witnesses for the Defendants being called and heard ; and the Right Honourable Lord Chief Justice Holt having spoken to the Jury they withdrew, and soon after brought them All in Guilty.*

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